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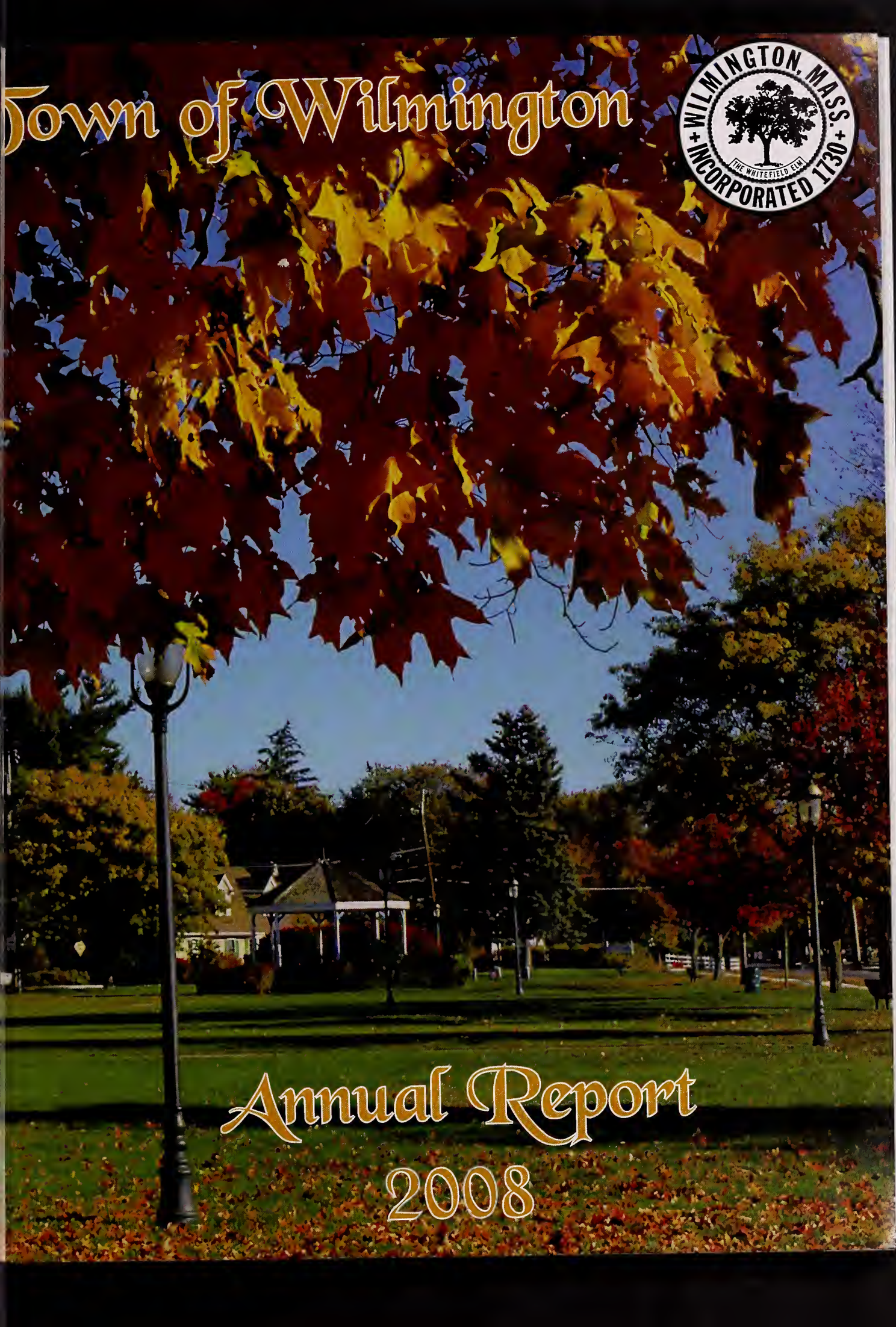
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(front cover)

Wilmington Town Common
Photo by Wilmington resident Richard Searfoss

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The "Mission Statement for the Town of Wilmington" is as follows:

> "The Town of Wilmington, as a municipal corporation, exists in order to deliver a wide range of municipal services to those who live, work or own property within the borders of Wilmington; and in order to make this community a good place to live, to work, and to raise and educate a family, those services must be responsive to the needs of the people. They must be effective and efficient. Principles of honesty, fairness, dependability and compassion must govern the actions of the officials and the employees of the Town. Those who work for the Town as employees or as members of boards, committees and commissions are recognized as its most important resource and the key to its success in serving the people of Wilmington."

Endorsed by the Board of Selectmen May 22, 1989.

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Dear Fellow Resident:

As the vast majority of cities and towns struggled to balance the budget and avoid wholesale layoffs, the Town of Wilmington continued to flourish throughout the calendar year 2008. With the support and guidance of the Town Manager, Finance Committee and countless administrative personnel, along with the unparalleled commitment of thousands of volunteers, the Board of Selectmen has continued to support regional and local zoning and planning initiatives, address environmental concerns, recognize its men and women in uniform and enhance the Town's roads, playgrounds and public works.

With respect to planning and land use, members of the 2008 Annual Town Meeting voted overwhelmingly to support the Board of Selectmen's efforts to reconstitute our Board of Appeals, increasing the number of permanent voting members from three to five. Town Meeting members likewise supported a measure to enable expedited permitting of important economic developments proposed along Route I-93. This long-term planning initiative has positioned the Town to receive priority development site funds of $100,000, and the project is essential to the overall success of the Tri-Town Development Interchange Project, which most agree is the flagship of regional planning efforts in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Finally, the Board of Selectmen supported a local zoning by-law that since its passage in 2008 serves to prohibit "big box" developments in most areas of town, but promotes such important tax generating development in the more appropriate locations along Route 93.

As was the case in 2007, the Board of Selectmen again was successful in executing a fixed fee agreement for services with the office of Town Counsel, as well as with professional, technical and environmental experts. This arrangement has consistently enabled the Town to accurately and adequately budget for legal and consultant fees, to avoid litigation by facilitating the town's access to preventative legal advice and to avoid fee and expense related disagreements. Throughout 2008, with the assistance of legal counsel, environmental consultants and administrative personnel, the Board of Selectmen closely monitored legislative and regulatory developments regarding the proposed NET waste transfer center, continued to manage federal litigation relative to the Maple Meadow Landfill, and encouraged Health Department efforts to regulate operational activities at Krochmal Farms.

As has been the tradition in more recent years, again in 2008 the Board of Selectmen has assumed a leadership role in promoting the educational well being of Wilmington's students. In addition to endorsing a budget which responsibly funds our school system at all grade levels, well beyond state mandates, the Board has been a vocal supporter of the Master Planning Study of Schools, and it voted unanimously to authorize a Statement of Interest to be filed with the Massachusetts School Building Authority relative to the design and feasibility study of a new public high school. While individual members of the Board have expressed different opinions about the most effective way to ensure that Wilmington High School continues to fulfill the programmatic needs of our students, they have been unanimous in moving the process forward, so that the taxpayers and residents of Wilmington can make an informed, responsible decision about continuing to improve the quality of education in Wilmington.

The Town's commitment to our men and women in uniform has never been more evident. In 2008, under the leadership of Veterans' Agent Lou Cimaglia, and with the help of scores of volunteers, the Town of Wilmington paid a fitting tribute to America's Vietnam Veterans by bringing the Moving Wall to Wilmington. After months of fastidious planning, the committee hosted several nights of meaningful and touching programs, with an array of guest speakers, gold star mothers, military personnel and their families, honor guards, bands, singers and flyovers.

Also in 2008, the Town of Wilmington honored one of its most recent fallen heroes, PFC John F. Landry, Jr., by erecting and dedicating to Private Landry's memory a permanent memorial at Silver Lake.

It has long been my opinion that the single most unique aspect of Wilmington, and indeed, its most valuable asset, is the willingness of its residents to be involved as volunteers. Danny Thomas once said, "Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It's what you do for others." I agree. The steadfast dedication of our volunteer board and committee members; the generous contributions of our volunteer coaches, fundraisers and local business owners; and the consistent and overwhelming support from our friends and neighbors for any worthwhile cause are the fabric of this community. The Board of Selectmen was pleased to work with a variety of such civic organizations and volunteers throughout 2008, including the Ahern Foundation, the Wilmington Sons of Italy, Local Heroes, the Wilmington VFW and the Wilmington Educational Foundation.

In closing, on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, I would like to acknowledge the dedicated service of Lance CPL Steven West, USMC, who tragically lost his life during active duty in Thailand. Rest assured, Wilmington will never forget Lance Corporal West's dedication to duty, and the sacrifices made by all of our men and women in uniform.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Newhouse, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

Board of Selectmen from left, Michael V. McCoy, Raymond N. Lepore, Chairman Michael J. Newhouse, Charles R. Fiore, Jr. and Louis Cimaglia, IV.

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Residents of Wilmington:

The economy held center stage throughout calendar year 2008. The country elected a new president who promised change and pledged to spearhead an economic recovery. The Town of Wilmington, although not immune from the harsh economic realities facing families, businesses, governments and other entities, fared better than many communities. Higher than expected local growth, conservative revenue forecasting and the careful monitoring of spending enabled Wilmington to increase its financial reserves consistent with its fiscal policies.

The most recent Town of Wilmington audit commented on the Town's "extremely efficient job of managing its reserves." A strong financial reserve is critical to the Town's fiscal well-being. At the close of fiscal year 2008 the Massachusetts Department of Revenue certified the Town's "free cash" or general fund reserve at $4,775,044 which represents a better than 55% increase over the prior year. In last year's Annual Report, I indicated the Town's goal was to make certain that the general fund balance would exceed 6% of the operating budget by fiscal year 2010. In fact, the fiscal year 2009 level stands at 6.28%.

The precipitous decline in state revenues and a global economy reluctant to show signs of recovery pose an enormous challenge to government officials. Communities across the Commonwealth are contending with declining local receipts and are feeling the effects of a growing state budget gap which grows wider with each monthly report of state tax collections. The Town's purposeful buildup of strategic reserves provides a measure of financial security during the turbulent economic period that lies ahead.

At the end of calendar year 2008, the Boston Globe published several articles on local development trends and municipal property taxes. "Bucking the Trend" is how they referred to the Town of Wilmington. One of the articles stated "rare is the community in which property taxes drop for homeowners, but that's the case in Wilmington." Rare indeed, but nevertheless a welcome respite for homeowners used to paying more, not less. The tax bills on the average assessed home for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 decreased by about $48. Although this "savings" may only pay for four pizzas, five if you use a coupon, the significance is that despite the decrease in taxes there will be no reduction in critical local services. One Wilmington resident who was quoted in a December 18, 2008 Boston Globe article said, "In general, Wilmington has lower taxes than many of the towns in Massachusetts for the services that we get, so even if mine does go up, I can't complain." Clearly town officials recognize their responsibility to prudently allocate its limited resources among a variety of important needs and in doing so ensuring a respect for the burden placed on the taxpayer.

Significant new commercial and residential growth activity occurred in 2008. The Main Street corridor was the focus of much of the new commercial development. Several businesses opened their doors at Wilmington Crossings, the town's newest retail/restaurant center. Anchored by Staples, the site also includes well-established retailers such as Sleepy's Mattress, The Dollar Tree, Pearl Vision and Fantastic Sams. Three food establishments, Starbuck's, D'Angelo and Kendra & Anthony's have located at Wilmington Crossings and two others, Ruby Tuesday and the Golden Ginger Restaurant, are poised to locate there as well. Danvers Bank has opened a stand-alone branch at the same site. Construction continues at Market Basket plaza. New CVS and Sovereign Bank buildings have opened at opposite ends of the plaza as part of the overall redevelopment of Wilmington's largest retail center.

The former machine shop located further south on Main Street was demolished last year and replaced by an attractive retail center. Other commercial activity centers boasting new and renovated buildings include sites at 355 Middlesex Avenue, 911 Main Street and One Jewel Drive. Wilmington's strong industrial base was enhanced by major building projects undertaken by Charles River Laboratories and Koch Membrane. Regency Place, a modern 120 unit apartment complex on West Street, opened its doors in 2008 further diversifying Wilmington's market-rate and affordable housing offerings.

In 2008 the Town purchased needed equipment, undertook numerous capital improvement projects and took steps to meet the needs of a growing community. Among the vehicles purchased were five replacement front-line police cruisers, a pick-up truck for the Fire Department, two School Department vans, three maintenance vehicles for the Department of Public Works and a pipe-cleaning Vactor truck, enabling wastewater and stormwater systems to be more efficiently maintained.

There were a number of improvements made at various Town properties. The Wilmington Memorial Library, which experienced a 15% increase in circulation and a 23% increase in attendance at library sponsored events, was the beneficiary of much of the improvements. Renovations were made to the circulation, technology and children's area, a new energy-efficient parabolic lighting system and a new acoustical ceiling was installed on the first floor and the parking lot improvement project, linking all three of the library's parking areas, was completed.

Other major projects undertaken in 2008 included:

1. the construction of a new playground at the Woburn Street School, funded by the Wilmington Sons of Italy;
2. the reconstruction of field 4 at Palmer Park behind Town Hall, funded by the Wilmington Little League;
3. the completion of roadway, filling, grading and seeding work for the Wildwood Cemetery Phase II Expansion Project;
4. the rehabilitation of the electrical system at the Industrial Way pump station;
5. the replacement of a 4,100 square foot roof area at the Department of Public Works garage;
6. the completion of the engineering and design plans for the Main Street Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Rehabilitation Project; and
7. the installation and implementation of an improved police communications system.

A Master Planning Study was completed for the Wilmington Public Schools. The study produced a comprehensive assessment of existing school buildings and sites and investigated various options to meet the Town's future educational needs. Recommendations emanating from the study were presented at public forums in March and June. The findings concluded that a Wilmington High School construction project be undertaken, consistent with recommendations contained in the 2006-2011 Strategic Plan for the Wilmington Public Schools. The Board of Selectmen and the School Committee voted unanimously to authorize the submission of a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority, the entity that authorizes school construction funding from the Commonwealth.

The measure of a city or town can be found in the depth of its community spirit. We are fortunate to live in a community where residents and businesses embrace the concept of service, generosity and patriotism. Wilmington stands second to no other community when it comes to demonstrating its pride in America. Patriotism is evidenced each year by large turnouts at Memorial and Veterans' Day ceremonies. Under sunny skies and in the backdrop of Silver Lake, patriotism and bravery was recognized by Wilmington townspeople as hundreds gathered to remember and memorialize the sacrifice of Private First Class John F. Landry, Jr. On August 23rd a monument was dedicated to the fallen soldier who gave his life in Iraq in pursuit of freedom throughout the world. The plaque on Private Landry's monument includes a quote from Amelia Earhart, "Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace."

From September 18 through September 22 visitors from throughout New England and beyond journeyed to the Wilmington Town Common to reflect on the meaning of freedom and to remember America's fallen heroes of the Vietnam War. The Town Common was never more properly adorned than on those days in which it hosted The Moving Wall which is a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial located in Washington, DC. The members of The Moving Wall Committee, under the leadership of Veterans' Services Director, Louis Cimaglia, are to be commended for bringing The Wall to Wilmington and enabling so many people the opportunity to experience its powerful message. Each ceremony was conducted with the solemnity and dignity befitting the sacrifice of more than 58,000 men and women who gave their life in the name of freedom and the more than one million brave Americans who fought in the Vietnam War.

A number of town government "volunteers" concluded their service on various Town boards and committees in 2008. Each deserve the Town's gratitude for giving of their time and talents in service to our community. They include: Charles Wayman and Gayle Regan of the Elderly Services Commission; Kay Scanlon, member of the Housing Partnership; John Ciaramaglia of the Conservation Commission; Karl Sagal, Associate Member of the Board of Appeals; A. Quincy Vale and Wayne Arruda of the Cable TV Advisory Task Force; Marjorie MacDonald, longtime Chairman of the Cemetery Commission; William Hooper of the Board of Registrars and L. Barbara Hooper, Library Trustee.

"The first requisite of a good citizen in this republic of ours is that he shall be able and willing to pull his weight." These words from Theodore Roosevelt most assuredly described the good citizenship practiced by Jack Walsh, who for 16 years served on the Wilmington Finance Committee, many of those years as its Vice Chairman. His passing in October left a giant void on the committee that so benefited from his business acumen, financial expertise and his uncanny understanding of the big picture. Jack was a good and decent man whose character and leadership personified the highest standards of citizenship.

Three new department heads were appointed in 2008, only one of whom was new to Wilmington government. John "Al" Spaulding of Everett replaced Daniel Paret who retired after serving as the Town's Building Inspector since 1995. Mr. Spaulding brings many years of private and public construction management experience to the position, including service as Building Inspector for three other municipalities. Treasurer/Collector M. Ronald Mendes resigned after eight years of service to accept a position as chief financial officer for a non-profit legal advocacy service. He was replaced by Deputy Treasurer/Collector Pamela MacKenzie, a 21 year employee of the Treasurer/Collector's office. Dan Stewart retired in February after more than 31 years on the Fire Department, the last 15 of which he served as Chief. The Town has been the beneficiary of Chief Stewart's passionate dedication to the fire service and his unequivocal commitment to the community. He was replaced by a 35 year veteran of the department, Deputy Chief Edward Bradbury. Chief Bradbury is an effective, experienced leader fully capable of improving upon the good works of his predecessors. A long-time veteran of the Fire Department, Lieutenant Edmund Corcoran was promoted to Deputy Chief.

Among the other municipal retirees in 2008 were Everett "Bud" Stanley who worked for the Department of Public Works for more than 20 years retiring as a DPW Working Foreman; Lieutenant Christopher Nee, who began his employment with the Town's Water Department in 1973 prior to his permanent appointment to the Fire Department in 1984; Linda Callahan, Reference and Adult Services Librarian for the Wilmington Memorial Library; Mary Lipski, a familiar and welcome presence at the Buzzell Senior Center; Senior Clerk Joyce Murray, a 20 year employee of the Treasurer/Collector's office and James Babineau, who for 21 years served the Town as its Sealer of Weights and Measures.

For the fifth consecutive year, the Town of Wilmington's annual report was recognized by the Massachusetts Municipal Association as one of the best in the Commonwealth. I encourage residents to read the individual department reports which summarizes activities undertaken in 2008 and better explains each department's mission. The report is intended to be both informative and useful, but by no means exhaustive. We hope this document fosters a better understanding of Wilmington government and the availability of its services, and encourages questions and participation from all of Wilmington's residents.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Town of Wilmington. I look forward to working with all of you for the betterment of this extraordinary community.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Caira
Town Manager

Town Manager Michael Caira accepts Annual Report Contest Award from MMA Executive Director Geoff Beckwith.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Town Clerk

The Town Clerk serves as Public Information Officer, Chief Election Officer and Local Registrar of Vital Records and Statistics. The Clerk is charged with the responsibility of ensuring that the appropriate process, with notification and procedure, is adhered to in the making of legislative policy and of managing public access to this information. This office is often the first door of government accessed by individuals seeking information and the resolution of problems. It is with a sense of pride and accomplishment that we submit this annual report with the hope that we have served our citizens well.

The following information and vital statistics were recorded during 2008:

Births	236
Marriage Intentions	91
Marriages	90
Deaths	246
Deaths - Out of State	6
Burial Permits	153
Veterans Buried in Wildwood Cemetery	34

Flammable Permits and Registrations:

Flammable permits are issued by the Board of Selectmen through the Town Clerk's office. Notice is sent to the owner or occupant of land where the storage is located on or about April 1st for renewal by April 30th of each year. Failure to register on time, or to comply with the Board's regulations, may result in revocation of the permit after a public hearing. Fifty-three permits were issued during the year.

Permits & Recordings:

Uniform Commercial Code Terminations	0
Business Certificates and Withdrawals	199
Federal Lien Recordings	0
Federal Lien Releases	0
Fish and Wildlife Licenses	265
Pole & Conduit Locations	7
Dog Licenses	1,965
Raffle and Bazaar Permits	9

The Town Clerk also serves as Clerk to the Board of Registrars. In this capacity she has met with the Board of Registrars on a regular monthly meeting night, kept the minutes up to date and supervised all elections and the annual town census by mail. The Town Clerk's office also maintains current voting lists and registers voters during regular office hours. She also meets with the Board for special evening sessions to register voters and to certify nomination papers for candidates.

Town Meetings & Elections 2008:

Presidential Primary	February 5
Annual Town Election	April 26
Annual Town Meeting	May 3
State Primary	September 16
State Election	November 4

Board of Registrars

In accordance with Section 1, Chapter 3 of the town By-laws, meetings of the Board of Registrars were held on the second Monday of each month for the registration of voters and to conduct business. Under Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1958, these meetings were open to the public and press, and were so posted in the Town Hall. The Board also met many times for certification of signatures on nomination papers and assisted at all elections and town meetings.

The Board held registration sessions as mandated by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 51, Sections 26, 28, 31 and 32 and supervised the conduct of elections, mandated by Chapter 54, Section 64 and Chapter 53, Sections 43 and 63, all in accordance with the Town Charter and By-laws of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington Revised.

The calendar year 2008 had a total of 15,843 registered voters from our listed 22,616 inhabitants.

The Board of Registrars wants to thank the 10,034 households that returned their town census forms in 2008.

Town Counsel

1. Advice & Legal Documents. Advisory opinions were rendered to various town officials and boards relating to a wide variety of issues and subjects. Frequent and ongoing attention was given to reviewing and/or drafting By-laws, easements, public document requests, compliance with the State Ethics Act and Open Meeting Law, various town rules and regulations, warrants for Town Meetings, and other legal documents.

2. Contracting & Procurement. During the period of our involvement with the town, we reviewed contracts, agreements, procurement documents, DAG grant applications, and homeowner betterment agreements.

3. Projects. We assisted the town in connection with the Olin property contamination issue, Maple Meadow Landfill, New England Transrail, the MWRA water connection, water resource allocation plans, affordable housing initiatives, road acceptance issues, various real estate projects, betterment agreements, easement issues, various 40B Comprehensive Permit issues such as the Crystal Commons and other 40B projects and controversies related to the impact of the operations of Krochmal Farm.

4. Labor. Our labor specialists provided advice to the town on various personnel issues and collective bargaining disputes.

5. Administrative Agency Proceedings. We assisted the town in various proceedings before various administrative agencies including the Office of the Attorney General, Appellate Tax Board, State Labor Relations Commission, Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, Alcohol Beverage Control Commission and Department of Environmental Protection.

6. Miscellaneous. We provided advice to the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, Water and Sewer Commission and various other public officials regarding a variety of matters. These issues included expansion of the Town's Board of Appeals from three to five regular members, state sanitary code, tobacco, smoking, piggeries, alcohol issues (including issues regarding farmer-wineries, transfer of package store licenses and 'pouring permits' for dispensing of alcohol by the glass without sales), common victualer issues, permitting and licensing issues, conflicts of interest, open meeting law and procedure, land use and zoning, procurement and competitive bid procedures and the enforcement of laws and regulations.

7. Litigation, Adversary Proceedings & Claims.

As of December 31, 2008, there were a total of 52 lawsuits, adversary proceedings and claims pending of which we have been informed:

4 lawsuits involving the Board of Appeals:

- Charles Sullivan v. Bruce MacDonald, et al, Land Court, Misc. No. 179451.
- Max Johnson v. Bruce MacDonald, et al, Land Court, Misc. No. 179448.
- Scott Garrant, James Diorio, Kevin Brander, Michael Sorrentino and Ann Yurek as they are members of the Wilmington Planning Board v. Charles E. Boyle, John R. Forest, Dan Wandell, Jr. as they are members of the Wilmington Board of Appeals and Mark Nelson, individually, Land Court, Misc. No. 267499.
- Monica Gilardi as Trustee of the Marie R. Gilardi Irrevocable Trust v. Board of Appeals and Dennis Delucia as Trustee of Delucia Family Trust, Land Court 07 MISC 351312.

7 lawsuits involving the Planning Board:

- Presidential Development Corporation, et al v. Wilmington Planning Board, Land Court, Misc. No. 192780.
- Robert Troy v. Planning Board of the Town of Wilmington, Land Court, Misc. No. 274810.
- Nelson v. Sorrentino, Middlesex Superior Court, Civil Action No. 2006-4347.
- Mark D. Nelson v. Town Manager, the Chairman of Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk and Jon Mehtala, Information Systems, Middlesex Superior Court Civil Action No. 2008-00780.
- Mark D. Nelson v. The Town of Wilmington, the Board of Appeals, the Planning Board, Daniel W. Paret, as the former Building Inspector of the Town of Wilmington, John Spaulding as the current Building Inspector of the Town of Wilmington, Carole Hamilton, Director of Planning and Conservation, the Town Manager and the Town Water & Sewer Commission, Land Court 08 MISC. 383336.
- Feeney v. Hamilton, Town of Wilmington, Planning Board, Middlesex Superior Court Civil Action No. 2008-03923.
- Sheridan Lane LLC v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court, Docket No. 08-2843.

5 Proceedings involving the Board of Selectmen:

- New England Transrail, LLC Petition for Exemption. Surface Transportation Board Docket No. 34797.
- Spinazola 1994 Revocable Trust v. Town of Wilmington and J. Does, 1-15. Civil Action No. 06-10406-RGS (U.S. District Court).
- Eleanor Estates, LLC v. Town of Wilmington (Board of Selectmen), Land Court 08 MISC 368308.
- Howe v. Shine (Defendant and Third Party Plaintiff) v. Town of Wilmington (Third Party Defendant), Middlesex Superior Court Civil Action No. 2007-00677.
- In the Matter of Santini Family, Inc. d/b/a Sonny's Mobil-on-the-Run, Alcohol Beverage Control Commission.

3 lawsuits involving the Police Department:

- Carter v. Wilmington, (Police Department) Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, No. 06BPD01306.
- NEPBA, Local 1 v. Town of Wilmington, AAA No. 11 390 01755 08.
- Robert F. Murphy, III v. Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination.

4 Proceedings involving the Water and Sewer Commission:

- Wilmington v. Department of Environmental Protection, DEP Docket No. 2003-074.
- Wilmington v. Department of Environmental Protection, DEP Docket No. 2008-047.
- In re. MTBE Liability Litigation, U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, MDL-1358.
- Mercury Refining Superfund Settlement.

6 lawsuits involving the Town Manager:

- AFSCME Council 93 v. Town of Wilmington, AAA No. 11 390 02093 07.
- Dunderdale v. Town of Wilmington et al, U.S. District Court, Civil Action No. 10974-RCL.
- AFSCME Council 93 v. Town of Wilmington, AAA No. 11 390 01749 08.
- AFSCME, Council 93 v. Town of Wilmington, AAA No. 11 390 00323 08.
- AFSCME Council 93 v Town of Wilmington, AAA No. 11 390 00322 08.
- AFSCME, Council 93 v Town of Wilmington, AAA No. 11 390 01023 08.

1 DEP administrative proceedings involving the Conservation Commission:

- In the Matter of Edward T. McLaughlin, Trustee, ETM Realty Trust, DEP File No. 344-635, DALA Docket No. DEP-05-1224.

1 Lawsuit involving the Board of Assessors:

- I. Fred DiCenso Trust v. The Board of Assessors of the Town of Wilmington, Appellate Tax Board Docket Nos. F276917-04-PRO, et al.

1 Lawsuit involving the Department of Public Works:

- Johnson v. Moakley et al, and Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 07-02271-B.

1 Lawsuit involving the Board of Public Health:

- Krochmal Farm LLC v. Wilmington Board of Health, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 08-04810-L2.

1 Bankruptcy involving the Tax Collector

- In re Brown Bankruptcy, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Massachusetts, Case No. 07-175000.

18 Claims which are not yet lawsuits:

- Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection v. Town of Wilmington (Maple Meadow Landfill).
- Town of Wilmington v. Olin Chemical Corporation.
- Witmore v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- Liberty Mutual as subrogee for Tentmakers Moving LLC v. Wilmington (DPW).
- Kiesinger v. Wilmington (DPW).
- Galante v. Wilmington (DPW).
- Gillis v. Wilmington (DPW).
- Duffy v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).

- Emrich v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- David Boutiette v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- O'Neil v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- Hermann v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- Lemos v. Town of Wilmington (School).
- Pupa v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- Martiniello v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- Plummer v. Town of Wilmington (Conservation Commission).
- Gore v. Town of Wilmington (DPW).
- Coates v. Town of Wilmington (Police Department).

Each of the above efforts required the participation of numerous town officials and private citizen volunteers - all working together towards a better Wilmington.

Thanks to the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager and all other town officials and citizens for their cooperation and assistance towards another successful year.

Selectman Louis Cimaglia and Town Manager Michael Caira with Jamie Champey of SignFab who donated the new Town Hall sign.

Board of Assessors

RECAPITULATION – 2008 FISCAL YEAR

Total Appropriation		$66,733,909.00
Special Education	0.00	
County Retirement Assessment	3,200,477.00	
Mass. Bay Transportation Authority	432,304.00	
Air Pollution Districts	6,394.00	
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	6,217.00	
Mosquito Control Project	45,944.00	
Amount Certified by Collector & Treasurer for Tax Title	0.00	
Overlay of Current Year	686,695.85	
Cherry Sheet Offsets	46,526.00	
M.W.R.A	0.00	
Final Court Judgments	0.00	
RMV Surcharge	16,060.00	
Miscellaneous	81,070.00	4,521,687.85
		$71,255,596.85

Less Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

2007 Estimated Receipts from Local Aid	$12,464,322.00	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	2,777,102.00	
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	270,000.00	
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	610,000.00	
Charges for Services - Sewer	2,000,000.00	
Other Charges for Services	250,000.00	
Fees	50,000.00	
Rentals	85,000.00	
Departmental Revenue - Library	15,000.00	
Departmental Revenue - Cemetery	60,000.00	
Other Department Revenue	350,000.00	
Licenses and Permits	600,000.00	
Special Assessments	1,000.00	
Fines and Forfeits	150,000.00	
Investment Income	500,000.00	
Voted from Available Funds	847,650.00	
Free Cash	575,000.00	
Miscellaneous	0.00	$21,605,074.00

Real Estate

Residential	$ 2,909,751,135.00 @ 10.16 p/t	$29,563,071.53
Commercial	$ 134,597,365.00 @ 22.96 p/t	3,090,355.50
Industrial	$ 679,853,200.00 @ 22.96 p/t	15,609,429.47
Personal Property	$ 60,438,430.00 @ 22.96 p/t	1,387,666.35
		$49,650,522.85

Treasurer/Collector

Commitments

2008 Preliminary Real Estate	$23,647,856.30
2007 Real Estate	46,252,457.94
2008 Preliminary Personal Property	541,129.54
2007 Personal Property	1,193,812.40
2007 Excise	3,198,880.42
2006 Excise	157,134.50
2005 Excise	15,272.71
Ambulance	876,282.61
Apportioned Street Betterments	697.13
Interest	104.56
Apportioned Sewer Betterments	52,429.54
Interest	31,604.60
Sewer Liens	39,160.64
Water Liens	138,193.22
Electric Liens	31,332.50
Apportioned Title 5 Betterments	15,447.45
Interest	4,397.85
Total	$76,196,193.91

Collections

Real Estate	$47,098,540.02
Personal Property	1,112,158.45
Excise	3,291,460.78
Street Betterments	501.57
Sewer Betterments	78,401.33
Title V Betterments	14,128.14
Water Liens	127,625.97
Sewer Liens	35,817.60
Electric Liens	24,361.06
Excise Interest and Charges	98,630.46
Ambulance	521,502.68
Lien Certificates	24,252.00
Betterment Certificates	88.00
Miscellaneous	2,942.17
Water Collections	3,743,878.67
Sewer Collections	1,951,896.68
Real Estate Interest & Charges	123,596.92
Personal Property Interest & Charges	4,477.18
Tax Titles	137,469.85
Tax Title Interest	17,847.90
Total	$58,409,577.43

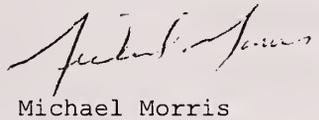
TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Members of the Board of Selectmen
and Town Manager
Town Hall
Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887

The Annual General Purpose Financial Statements of the town of Wilmington for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 are hereby submitted. This report was prepared by the Office of the Town Accountant. Responsibility for accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the town.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed data are accurate in all material respects and are reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the various funds and account groups of the government.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Morris
Town Accountant

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND GROUPS
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Assets	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency	Long-Term Debt	Total (Memorandum Only)
Cash	8,224,166.35	5,057,589.48	59,616.52	2,761,866.56		16,103,238.91
Cash - Health Group Deposit				1,519,400.00		1,519,400.00
Receivables:						
General Property Taxes	817,827.65					817,827.65
Less: Prov for Abates & Exemptions	(1,164,351.62)					(1,164,351.62)
Tax Liens	518,598.22					518,598.22
Tax Foreclosures	631,964.61					631,964.61
Motor Vehicle Excise	376,185.10					376,185.10
Departmental	130,882.62					130,882.62
Betterments	735,763.03					735,763.03
User Charges	60,987.77	218,698.32				279,686.09
Due from Other Gov'ts		319,374.62				319,374.62
Amounts to be provided for:						
Retirement of Long Term Debt					10,876,673.96	10,876,673.96
Total Assets	10,332,023.73	5,595,662.42	59,616.52	4,281,266.56	10,876,673.96	31,145,243.19
Liabilities & Fund Balance						
Liabilities:						
Warrants Payable	794,702.43	114,283.90		28,499.80		937,486.13
Deferred Revenue:						
General Property Taxes	817,827.65					817,827.65
Other Accounts Receivable	2,454,381.35	538,072.94				2,992,454.29
Notes Payable					10,876,673.96	10,876,673.96
Payroll Withholdings	15,043.65					15,043.65
Incurred Costs				1,389,565.12		1,389,565.12
Total Liabilities	4,081,955.08	652,356.84	0.00	1,418,064.92	10,876,673.96	17,029,050.80
Fund Balance:						
Res. For Encumbrances	1,188,390.32	1,007,191.30				2,195,581.62
Res. For Special Purpose		3,252,531.28		2,651,137.52		5,903,668.80
Res. For Subsequent Years		683,583.00		40,000.00		723,583.00
Unreserved-Undesignated	5,061,678.33	0.00	59,616.52	172,064.12		5,293,358.97
Total Fund Balance	6,250,068.65	4,943,305.58	59,616.52	2,863,201.64	0.00	14,116,192.39
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	10,332,023.73	5,595,662.42	59,616.52	4,281,266.56	10,876,673.96	31,145,243.19

1. Definition of Reporting Entity

The Town of Wilmington is incorporated as a municipality in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It is governed by an elected Board of Selectmen and an open Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen appoint a Town Manager who in accordance with Chapter 592 of 1950, serves as chief fiscal and administrative officer of the town. Other town officials are appointed by the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager. Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires that the accompanying general purpose financial statements present the Town of Wilmington (the primary government) and its component units. Component units are included in the Town's reporting entity if their operational and financial relationships with the Town are significant. Pursuant to this criteria, the following entities have been excluded from the accompanying general purpose financial statements:

Wilmington Housing Authority - provides housing for the elderly as well as subsidizing low income housing units.

Middlesex Regional Retirement System - provides county government and various services for member communities.

Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School District - provides education services for member communities.

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority - provides sewage disposal services.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies for financial reporting purposes of the town of Wilmington conform to generally accepted accounting principles for local governmental units except as indicated in Note 3. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies:

A. Fund Accounting

The town reports its financial activities in several funds and one account group in order to comply with the limitations and restrictions placed on both the resources made available to the town and the services provided. The various funds are grouped in the financial statements in this report into five generic fund types as follows:

Governmental Funds

General Fund - The general fund is the general operating fund of the town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Fund - Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue resources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

Capital Projects Fund - Capital project funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

Fiduciary Funds

Trust and Agency Funds - Trust and agency funds are used to account for assets held by the town in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. These include expendable trust, non-expendable trust and agency funds. Non-expendable trust funds are accounted for in a manner that permits the periodic measurements of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income in order to demonstrate maintenance of capital. Expendable trust funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as governmental funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

ACCOUNT GROUP

Long-term Debt and Liabilities - Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accumulated in the general long-term debt group of accounts. This account group is not a fund. It is only concerned with the measurement of financial position and, therefore, is not involved with a measurement of the results from any operations.

B. Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared principally on the modified accrual basis of accounting. This method recognizes revenues when they become measurable and available. Expenses are recognized under this method as they are incurred.

Revenue - Property tax revenues are recognized when they become available. Available means then due or past due and receivable within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

All other revenues are recognized throughout the year when cash is received.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of these revenues. In one, moneys must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the town. Therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, moneys are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria is met.

Expenses - Expenditures are recorded during the year on a cash disbursement basis. In addition, as required by Massachusetts General Laws, disbursements made during the fifteen days immediately following the close of each fiscal year and which pertain to the prior year are recorded as warrants payable and expenses as of June 30th.

Purchase orders and other contractual obligations outstanding at June 30th related to annual operating expenses are recorded as encumbrances and, accordingly, as a reservation of fund balances at that date.

Deferred Revenue - Property taxes and other revenue that is measurable but not available has been classified as deferred revenue on June 30th.

Encumbrances - Encumbrance accounting under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is

employed in governmental funds. Open encumbrances at year-end are reported as reservations of fund balances. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

Inventory - Inventory items (materials and supplies) are recorded as expenditures when purchased (purchase method).

General Fixed Assets - General fixed assets are recorded as expenditures in applicable governmental funds. The town does not capitalize the cost of general fixed assets in a general fixed asset account group, which is consistent with the practice of many municipalities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

C. Total Columns

Total columns on the combined statements are captioned Memorandum Only to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Such data is not comparable to a consolidation since interfund eliminations have not been made.

D. Retirement System

The Town contributes to the Middlesex Regional Retirement System, a single employer plan, established under Chapter 32 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Substantially all full-time and some part-time employees of the town except teachers and certain administrative personnel employed by the School Department participate in the system. Benefits paid under the plan, referred to as retirement allowance, include both an annuity portion, funded principally from amounts contributed by the participants, and a pension portion funded by the town.

The participants contribute a certain percentage of their compensation annually, determined by their date of employment. The employer contribution by the town as determined by the County's actuarial valuation normal cost plus the amortization of the original unfunded actuarial liability.

Teachers and certain administrative employees of the School Department participate in a contributory retirement plan administered by the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement Board. Contributions to this plan are made entirely by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and therefore, the town does not contribute to the plan.

3. Departures from Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

For years prior to 1985, the town presented its financial statements on the basis of accounting practices prescribed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Revenue. These practices differed in many significant respects from G.A.A.P.

During 1981, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts issued a revised uniform municipal accounting system entitled U.M.A.S. The departures from G.A.A.P. under this revised system have been significantly narrowed. The town has adopted a modified U.M.A.S. for its financial statements.

The significant departures from G.A.A.P. included in the town of Wilmington's financial statements are:

A. Retirement benefits are provided for in accordance with Chapter 32 of the Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (see note 1D).

B. General fixed asset acquisitions are recorded as expenditures at the time purchases is made rather than being capitalized in a general fixed asset group of accounts.

C. Purchases for materials and supplies inventories are recorded as expenditures rather than assets at time of purchase.

4. Budgetary Accounting

An annual budget is legally adopted for the General Fund. All financial orders are initiated or recommended at Town meetings. Expenditures are limited to the line items as voted at the Town meetings. Department heads may not transfer, without approval, appropriation balances from one expenditure account to another within their department or budget. These along with transfers or unencumbered appropriation balances between departments or agencies must be approved at Town Meetings.

5. Long-term Debt

State law permits the town to authorize indebtedness up to a limit of 5% of its equalized valuation. Debt issued in accordance with this state law is designated as being inside the debt limit. In addition, however, a town may authorize debt in excess of that limit for specific purposes. Such debt when issued is designated as being outside the debt limit. The following summarized the annual debt service requirements as of June 30, 2008.

General Obligation Bonds

	Principal	Interest	Total
Outstanding June 30, 2007	$14,418,834	$1,763,319	$16,182,153
Retirements	$ 3,542,160	$ 703,765	$ 4,245,925
Outstanding June 30, 2008	$10,876,674	$1,059,554	$11,936,228

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Fiduciary Fund Types Expendable Trust	Total (Memorandum Only)
REVENUES:					
General Property Taxes	49,143,220.28	0.00			49,143,220.28
Tax Liens	254,315.23	151,592.83			405,908.06
Special Assessments	86,618.63	40,947.64			127,566.27
Excise	3,420,484.37	0.00			3,420,484.37
Penalties	295,855.79	0.00			295,855.79
Licenses and Permits	879,341.86	0.00		44,293.50	923,635.36
Intergovernmental	12,423,380.85	3,732,292.27		777.61	16,156,450.73
Charges for Services	2,338,145.06	6,981,461.55		730,262.61	10,049,869.22
Fines	144,534.70	0.00			144,534.70
Fees	63,460.45	0.00			63,460.45
Interest Earnings	485,946.80	7,165.53		31,283.71	524,396.04
Appropriation Refunds		0.00			0.00
Payroll Deductions		0.00			0.00
Gifts		162,562.54		2,659,044.51	2,821,607.05
Health Working Deposit		0.00		1,519,400.00	1,519,400.00
Other	1,474,735.25	234,933.48		529,610.01	2,239,278.74
Total Revenues	71,010,039.27	11,310,955.84	0.00	5,514,671.95	87,835,667.06
EXPENDITURES:					
General Government	1,758,631.03	16,739.38		150,228.94	1,925,599.35
Public Safety	7,345,822.76	174,056.87		610,365.76	8,130,245.39
Human Services	1,075,357.75	88,357.17		12,765.21	1,176,480.13
Public Works	5,504,071.89	2,461,484.44		14,600.00	7,980,156.33
Community Development	744,968.83	100,478.73		695.00	846,142.56
Building Maintenance	3,944,399.20	226.22		69,982.68	4,014,608.10
Education	30,408,312.67	5,432,688.38		441,557.50	36,282,558.55
Recreation	107,913.07	652,794.93			760,708.00
Veterans' Services	239,558.87	0.00			239,558.87
Debt and Interest	4,246,214.50	0.00			4,246,214.50
Unclassified	8,248,764.11	15,687.27		2,342,186.04	10,606,637.42
Health Incurred Costs		0.00		1,389,565.12	1,389,565.12
Statutory Charges	5,573,367.00	0.00			5,573,367.00
Capital Outlay	772,423.36	3,499,938.27			4,272,361.63
Warrant Articles	105,251.16	0.00			105,251.16
Total Expenditures	70,075,056.20	12,442,451.66	0.00	5,031,946.25	87,549,454.11
Excess (deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	934,983.07	(1,131,495.82)	0.00	482,725.70	286,212.95
OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds of General Obligation Bonds					
Operating Transfers In	818,869.46	0.00		269,917.98	1,088,787.44
Operating Transfers Out	(269,917.98)	(678,778.00)	(125,091.46)	(15,000.00)	(1,088,787.44)
State and County Charges					0.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	548,951.48	(678,778.00)	(125,091.46)	254,917.98	0.00
Excess/Deficiency of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	1,483,934.55	(1,810,273.82)	(125,091.46)	737,643.68	286,212.95
Fund Balance July 1, 2007	5,162,523.20	6,753,579.40	184,707.98	2,125,557.96	14,226,368.54
Increase in Provision for Abatements and Exemptions	(396,389.10)				(396,389.10)
Fund Balance June 30, 2008	6,250,068.65	4,943,305.58	59,616.52	2,863,201.64	14,116,192.39

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Assets	Grants	Gifts	Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving	Water	Total (Memorandum Only)
Cash	193,598.30	266,075.54	164,902.67	1,345,303.73	3,087,709.24	5,057,589.48
Cash - Health Group Deposit						
Receivables:						
General Property Taxes						
Less: Prov for Abates & Exemptions						
Tax Liens						
Tax Foreclosures						
Motor Vehicle Excise						
Departmental						
Betterments						
User Charges					218,698.32	218,698.32
Due from Other Gov'ts	319,374.62					319,374.62
Amounts to be provided for:						
Retirement of Long Term Debt						
Total Assets	512,972.92	266,075.54	164,902.67	1,345,303.73	3,306,407.56	5,595,662.42
Liabilities & Fund Balance						
Liabilities:						
Warrants Payable	29,144.47	807.00		55,369.75	28,962.68	114,283.90
Deferred Revenue:						
General Property Taxes						
Other Accounts Receivable	319,374.62				218,698.32	538,072.94
Notes Payable						
Payroll Withholdings						
Incurred Costs						
Total Liabilities	348,519.09	807.00	0.00	55,369.75	247,661.00	652,356.84
Fund Balance:						
Res. For Encumbrances					1,007,191.30	1,007,191.30
Res. For Special Purpose	164,453.83	265,268.54	144,902.67	1,289,933.98	1,387,972.26	3,252,531.28
Res. For Subsequent Years			20,000.00		663,583.00	683,583.00
Unreserved-Undesignated						
Total Fund Balance	164,453.83	265,268.54	164,902.67	1,289,933.98	3,058,746.56	4,943,305.58
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	512,972.92	266,075.54	164,902.67	1,345,303.73	3,306,407.56	5,595,662.42

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Grants	Gifts	Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving Funds	Water	Total
REVENUES						
General Property Taxes						0.00
Tax Liens					151,592.83	151,592.83
Special Assessments				40,947.64		40,947.64
Excise						0.00
Penalties						0.00
Licenses and Permits						0.00
Intergovernmental	3,537,066.12			195,226.15		3,732,292.27
Charges for Services				3,036,663.77	3,944,797.78	6,981,461.55
Fines						0.00
Fees						0.00
Interest Earnings	6,886.48		279.05			7,165.53
Appropriation Refunds						0.00
Payroll Deductions						0.00
Gifts		112,899.24		49,663.30		162,562.54
						0.00
Other	13,383.38		33,305.30	122,635.76	65,609.04	234,933.48
Total Revenues	3,557,335.98	112,899.24	33,584.35	3,445,136.62	4,161,999.65	11,310,955.84
EXPENDITURES:						
General Government	6,626.46			10,112.92		16,739.38
Public Safety	170,724.87	3,332.00				174,056.87
Human Services	60,708.76	10,047.71		17,600.70		88,357.17
Public Works	438,039.49	68,293.00		54,624.10	1,900,527.85	2,461,484.44
Community Development	83,099.57	15,468.56		1,910.60		100,478.73
Building Maintenance				226.22		226.22
Education	2,759,926.84			2,672,761.54		5,432,688.38
Recreation				652,794.93		652,794.93
Veterans' Services						0.00
Debt and Interest						0.00
Unclassified	15,687.27					15,687.27
Incurred Costs						0.00
Statutory Charges						0.00
Capital Outlay					3,499,938.27	3,499,938.27
Warrant Articles						0.00
Total Expenditures	3,534,813.26	97,141.27	0.00	3,410,031.01	5,400,466.12	12,442,451.66
Excess (deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	22,522.72	15,757.97	33,584.35	35,105.61	(1,238,466.47)	(1,131,495.82)
OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds of General Obligation Bonds						0.00
Operating Transfers In						0.00
Operating Transfers Out			(30,000.00)		(648,778.00)	(678,778.00)
State and County Charges						
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0.00	0.00	(30,000.00)	0.00	(648,778.00)	(678,778.00)
Excess/Deficiency of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	22,522.72	15,757.97	3,584.35	35,105.61	(1,887,244.47)	(1,810,273.82)
Fund Balance July 1, 2007	141,931.11	249,510.57	161,318.32	1,254,828.37	4,945,991.03	6,753,579.40
Increase in Provision for Abatements and Exemptions						
Fund Balance June 30, 2008	164,453.83	265,268.54	164,902.67	1,289,933.98	3,058,746.56	4,943,305.58

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

FUNCTION/ACTIVITY		CARRY FWD TO FY 08 FROM FY 07	TRANSFER & APPROPRIATION FISCAL 2008	EXPENDITURES FISCAL 2008	BALANCE FISCAL 2008	CARRY FWD TO FY 09 FROM FY 08	CLOSE FISCAL 2008
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:							
Selectmen	Stipend	0.00	4,032.00	4,032.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Selectmen	Expenses	0.00	14,260.00	13,252.98	1,007.02	0.00	1,007.02
		0.00	18,292.00	17,284.98	1,007.02	0.00	1,007.02
Elections	Salaries	0.00	21,044.00	15,311.38	5,732.62	0.00	5,732.62
Elections	Constable	0.00	175.00	175.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Elections	Expenses	0.00	7,270.00	6,477.34	792.66	0.00	792.66
		0.00	28,489.00	21,963.72	6,525.28	0.00	6,525.28
Registrars	Salaries	0.00	1,875.00	1,875.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Registrars	Expenses	0.00	6,000.00	5,987.69	12.31	0.00	12.31
		0.00	7,875.00	7,862.69	12.31	0.00	12.31
Finance Comm.	Salaries	0.00	1,292.00	640.80	651.20	0.00	651.20
Finance Comm.	Expenses	0.00	8,025.00	7,847.90	177.10	0.00	177.10
		0.00	9,317.00	8,488.70	828.30	0.00	828.30
Town Manager	Sal-Town Manager	0.00	122,393.00	122,393.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Manager	Salaries-Other	0.00	266,288.00	266,288.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Manager	Expenses	0.00	72,228.00	33,821.56	38,406.44	32,362.71	6,043.73
Town Manager	Furnish. & Equip.	0.00	9,360.00	9,329.54	30.46	0.00	30.46
		0.00	470,269.00	431,832.10	38,436.90	32,362.71	6,074.19
Town Accountant	Sal-Town Accountant	0.00	95,712.00	95,712.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Accountant	Salaries-Other	0.00	209,164.00	209,164.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Accountant	Expenses	19,945.70	2,560.00	2,882.09	19,623.61	19,623.61	0.00
		19,945.70	307,436.00	307,758.09	19,623.61	19,623.61	0.00
Treas/Collector	Sal-Treasurer/Collector	0.00	81,501.00	81,501.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treas/Collector	Salaries-Other	0.00	143,726.00	143,726.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treas/Collector	Expenses	0.00	22,100.00	20,963.26	1,136.74	0.00	1,136.74
Treas/Collector	Furnish. & Equip.	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treas/Collector	Amt. Cert. Coll. Tax Title	0.00	20,000.00	15,072.08	4,927.92	0.00	4,927.92
		0.00	269,127.00	263,062.34	6,064.66	0.00	6,064.66
Town Clerk	Sal-Town Clerk	0.00	61,002.00	61,002.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Clerk	Salaries-Other	0.00	101,546.00	101,546.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Clerk	Expenses	0.00	2,925.00	2,925.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Clerk	Furnish. & Equip.	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	165,773.00	165,773.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Assessors	Sal-Prin. Assessor	0.00	93,149.00	93,149.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Assessors	Salaries-Other	0.00	83,203.00	78,756.03	4,446.97	0.00	4,446.97
Assessors	Expenses	9,303.84	133,333.00	116,674.85	25,961.99	21,597.39	4,364.60
Assessors	Furnish. & Equip.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		9,303.84	309,685.00	288,579.88	30,408.96	21,597.39	8,811.57
Town Counsel	Contractual Services	22,542.00	225,000.00	234,044.38	13,497.62	0.00	13,497.62
Town Counsel	Expenses	240.06	7,500.00	6,601.76	1,138.30	0.00	1,138.30
		22,782.06	232,500.00	240,646.14	14,635.92	0.00	14,635.92

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Permanent Bld Com	Salaries	0.00	450.00	0.00	450.00	0.00	450.00
Permanent Bld Com	Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	450.00	0.00	450.00	0.00	450.00
General Government Subtotal		52,031.60	1,819,213.00	1,753,251.64	117,992.96	73,583.71	44,409.25
PUBLIC SAFETY:							
Police	Sal.-Chief	0.00	99,878.00	99,878.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sal.-Dep. Chief	0.00	82,059.00	82,059.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sal.-Lieut.	0.00	151,762.00	147,537.91	4,224.09	0.00	4,224.09
Police	Sal.-Sgts.	0.00	362,277.00	362,277.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sal.-Patrolmen	0.00	1,839,295.00	1,839,295.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sal.-Clerical	0.00	86,914.00	86,914.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sal.-Fill In Costs	0.00	395,000.00	372,305.04	22,694.96	328.62	22,366.34
Police	Sal.-Pd.Holidays	0.00	104,586.00	101,872.95	2,713.05	0.00	2,713.05
Police	Sal.-Specialist	0.00	12,350.00	12,350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sal.-Incentive	0.00	367,180.00	367,032.90	147.10	0.00	147.10
Police	Sal.-Night Diff	0.00	37,440.00	37,440.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police	Sick Leave Buyback	0.00	27,713.00	23,207.35	4,505.65	0.00	4,505.65
Police	Expenses	8,913.70	235,216.00	208,298.23	35,831.47	30,638.55	5,192.92
Police	Furnish & Equip.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		8,913.70	3,801,670.00	3,740,467.38	70,116.32	30,967.17	39,149.15
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Chief	0.00	106,137.00	106,137.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Dep. Chief	0.00	80,882.00	75,134.88	5,747.12	0.00	5,747.12
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Lieut.	0.00	380,244.00	372,183.59	8,060.41	0.00	8,060.41
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Privates	0.00	1,701,646.00	1,679,889.26	21,756.74	0.00	21,756.74
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Clerk/Disptch	0.00	47,545.00	47,545.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Part Time	0.00	16,250.00	13,584.00	2,666.00	0.00	2,666.00
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Overtime Costs	0.00	435,000.00	432,204.14	2,795.86	0.00	2,795.86
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Pd.Holidays	0.00	117,832.00	115,718.26	2,113.74	0.00	2,113.74
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Incentive/EMT	0.00	11,025.00	11,025.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fire Dept.	Sal.-Fire Alarm	0.00	14,420.00	14,420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fire Dept.	Sick Leave Buyback	0.00	30,778.00	28,757.89	2,020.11	0.00	2,020.11
Fire Dept.	Expenses	22.00	107,354.00	100,900.16	6,475.84	2,846.22	3,629.62
Fire Dept.	Furnish & Equip.	4,000.00	9,754.00	9,772.00	3,982.00	3,982.00	0.00
		4,022.00	3,058,867.00	3,007,271.18	55,617.82	6,828.22	48,789.60
Public Safety Central Dispatch	Salaries Full Time	0.00	427,310.00	435,144.97	(7,834.97)	0.00	(7,834.97)
Public Safety Central Dispatch	Salaries Overtime	0.00	52,500.00	44,665.03	7,834.97	0.00	7,834.97
Public Safety Central Dispatch	Salaries Part Time	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Public Safety Central Dispatch	Expenses	15,000.00	22,050.00	15,659.05	21,390.95	0.00	21,390.95
Public Safety Central Dispatch	Furnish & Equip.	0.00	19,000.00	18,730.83	269.17	0.00	0.00
		15,000.00	520,860.00	514,199.88	21,660.12	0.00	21,390.95
Animal Control	Salaries	0.00	34,320.00	34,320.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Animal Control	Expenses	0.00	2,325.00	2,011.32	313.68	0.00	313.68
		0.00	36,645.00	36,331.32	313.68	0.00	313.68
Public Safety Subtotal		27,935.70	7,418,042.00	7,298,269.76	147,707.94	37,795.39	109,643.38
PUBLIC WORKS:							
Engineering	Salaries	0.00	169,632.00	166,806.24	2,825.76	0.00	2,825.76
Engineering	Salaries Part Time	0.00	11,490.00	9,920.00	1,570.00	0.00	1,570.00

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Engineering	Expenses	0.00	9,200.00	8,559.31	640.69	0.00	640.69
		0.00	190,322.00	185,285.55	5,036.45	0.00	5,036.45
Highway Division	Sal-D.P.W. Supt.	0.00	95,754.00	95,754.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highway Division	Salaries-Other	0.00	1,161,707.00	1,140,400.49	21,306.51	0.00	21,306.51
Highway Division	Stream Maint. Sal.	0.00	10,880.00	10,880.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highway Division	Stream Maint. Exp.	0.00	1,000.00	895.50	104.50	0.00	104.50
Highway Division	Expenses	1,898.10	302,900.00	287,251.46	17,546.64	404.94	17,141.70
Highway Division	Road Machinery Exp.	0.00	80,000.00	77,647.18	2,352.82	941.50	1,411.32
Highway Division	Fuel & Other	0.00	330,510.00	329,555.27	954.73	0.00	954.73
Highway Division	Drainage Projects	0.00	55,000.00	54,693.82	306.18	0.00	306.18
Highway Division	Public Street Lights	0.00	224,800.00	224,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highway Division	Furnish & Equip.	0.00	23,200.00	21,609.34	1,590.66	0.00	1,590.66
		1,898.10	2,285,751.00	2,243,487.06	44,162.04	1,346.44	42,815.60
Snow & Ice Control	Salaries	0.00	202,927.00	202,927.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Snow & Ice Control	Expenses	0.00	418,820.00	416,912.80	1,907.20	247.00	1,660.20
		0.00	621,747.00	619,839.80	1,907.20	247.00	1,660.20
Highway Division	Rubbish Collection	61,798.02	1,644,072.00	1,640,978.19	64,891.83	64,891.83	0.00
		61,798.02	1,644,072.00	1,640,978.19	64,891.83	64,891.83	0.00
Tree Division	Salaries	0.00	180,177.00	151,387.84	28,789.16	0.00	28,789.16
Tree Division	Expenses	0.00	10,500.00	10,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	190,677.00	161,887.84	28,789.16	0.00	28,789.16
Parks & Grounds Division	Salaries	0.00	343,302.00	342,108.15	1,193.85	0.00	1,193.85
Parks & Grounds Division	Expenses	0.00	43,000.00	40,990.96	2,009.04	0.00	2,009.04
		0.00	386,302.00	383,099.11	3,202.89	0.00	3,202.89
Cemetery Division	Salaries	0.00	142,204.00	138,974.03	3,229.97	0.00	3,229.97
Cemetery Division	Expenses	0.00	17,750.00	17,117.13	632.87	0.00	632.87
		0.00	159,954.00	156,091.16	3,862.84	0.00	3,862.84
Sewer	Salaries	0.00	65,900.00	65,900.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sewer	Expenses	24,692.74	80,630.00	57,773.10	47,549.64	39,397.21	8,152.43
Sewer Subtotal		24,692.74	146,530.00	123,673.10	47,549.64	39,397.21	8,152.43
Total Public Works		88,388.86	5,625,355.00	5,514,341.81	199,402.05	105,882.48	93,519.57
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:							
Board of Health	Sal-Director	0.00	75,979.00	75,979.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Board of Health	Salaries-Other	0.00	158,091.00	158,091.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Board of Health	Expenses	0.00	10,180.00	8,845.72	1,334.28	187.94	1,146.34
Board of Health	Mental Health	0.00	33,872.00	33,872.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Board of Health	Furnish. & Equip.	533.25	300.00	832.74	0.51	0.00	0.51
		533.25	278,422.00	277,620.46	1,334.79	187.94	1,146.85
Sealer/Wts & Meas.	Salaries	0.00	5,166.00	3,874.50	1,291.50	0.00	1,291.50
Sealer/Wts & Meas.	Sm. Tools & Equip.	0.00	200.00	69.50	130.50	0.00	130.50
		0.00	5,366.00	3,944.00	1,422.00	0.00	1,422.00

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Planning/Conserv	Sal-Director	0.00	72,996.00	72,996.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Planning/Conserv	Salaries-Other	0.00	193,885.00	191,972.48	1,912.52	0.00	1,912.52
Planning/Conserv.	Expenses	800.00	9,925.00	6,690.18	4,034.82	828.72	3,206.10
Planning/Conserv	Furnish. & Equip.	0.00	2,000.00	1,835.92	164.08	0.00	164.08
		800.00	278,806.00	273,494.58	6,111.42	828.72	5,282.70
Bldg. Inspector	Sal-Bldg Inspector	0.00	71,909.00	71,909.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bldg. Inspector	Salaries-Other	0.00	106,719.00	101,025.42	5,693.58	0.00	5,693.58
Bldg. Inspector	Expenses	0.00	4,455.00	3,864.46	590.54	79.52	511.02
Bldg. Inspector	Furnish. & Equip.	533.25	0.00	533.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
		533.25	183,083.00	177,332.13	6,284.12	79.52	6,204.60
Community Development Subtotal		1,866.50	745,677.00	732,391.17	15,152.33	1,096.18	14,056.15
PUBLIC BUILDINGS:							
Public Buildings	Sal-Super.	0.00	106,137.00	106,137.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Public Buildings	Salaries-Other	0.00	2,187,577.00	2,145,603.22	41,973.78	0.00	41,973.78
Public Buildings	Expenses-Town Bldg	0.00	155,610.00	153,738.05	1,871.95	1,946.34	(74.39)
Public Buildings	Electric-Town Bldgs.	0.00	180,000.00	180,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Public Buildings	Utilities-Town Bldgs.	0.00	100,000.00	95,585.60	4,414.40	0.00	4,414.40
Public Buildings	Expenses School Bldg	496.96	187,000.00	187,022.84	474.12	0.00	474.12
Public Buildings	Training & Conference	0.00	385.00	378.48	6.52	0.00	6.52
Public Buildings	Fuel Heating	0.00	1,060,000.00	997,338.32	62,661.68	62,661.68	0.00
Public Buildings	Asbestos Repair	0.00	5,000.00	600.00	4,400.00	0.00	4,400.00
Public Buildings	Roof Repairs	0.00	9,000.00	5,501.92	3,498.08	0.00	3,498.08
Public Buildings	HVAC Repairs	0.00	65,000.00	59,684.27	5,315.73	0.00	5,315.73
Public Buildings	Furnish. & Equip.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		496.96	4,055,709.00	3,931,589.70	124,616.26	64,608.02	60,008.24
Public Buildings Subtotal		496.96	4,055,709.00	3,931,589.70	124,616.26	64,608.02	60,008.24
HUMAN SERVICES:							
Veterans	Salary	0.00	46,031.00	46,031.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Veterans	Expenses	0.00	1,225.00	703.74	521.26	0.00	521.26
Veterans	Assistance	0.00	200,000.00	192,646.66	7,353.34	0.00	7,353.34
		0.00	247,256.00	239,381.40	7,874.60	0.00	7,874.60
Library	Salary-Director	0.00	75,979.00	75,979.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Library	Salaries-Other	0.00	605,804.00	602,533.30	3,270.70	0.00	3,270.70
Library	Expenses	0.00	139,405.00	139,336.22	68.78	0.00	68.78
Library	M.V.L.C.	0.00	33,189.00	33,189.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Library	Furnish & Equip.	0.00	23,466.00	23,466.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	877,843.00	874,503.52	3,339.48	0.00	3,339.48
Recreation	Salary-Director	0.00	61,649.00	61,649.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Recreation	Salaries-Other	0.00	39,281.00	39,281.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Recreation	Expenses	0.00	6,500.00	6,472.12	27.88	0.00	27.88
Recreation	Furnish & Equip.	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	107,630.00	107,602.12	27.88	0.00	27.88
Elderly Services	Salary-Director	0.00	60,340.00	60,340.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Elderly Services	Salaries-Other	0.00	83,252.00	83,252.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Elderly Services	Expenses	0.00	37,540.00	34,035.69	3,504.31	0.00	3,504.31
		0.00	181,132.00	177,627.69	3,504.31	0.00	3,504.31

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Historical Comm.	Salaries	0.00	15,274.00	15,206.55	67.45	0.00	67.45
Historical Comm.	Expenses	2,202.34	6,750.00	7,496.80	1,455.54	1,455.54	0.00
Historical Comm.	Furnish & Equip.	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
		2,202.34	24,024.00	22,703.35	3,522.99	3,455.54	67.45
Com on Disabilities	Salaries	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
Com on Disabilities	Expenses	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
		0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Human Services Subtotal		2,202.34	1,438,385.00	1,421,818.08	18,769.26	3,455.54	15,313.72
EDUCATION:							
School Dept.	Salaries	0.00	21,463,258.00	21,361,107.00	102,151.00	102,151.00	0.00
School Dept.	Expenses	388,803.75	5,566,191.00	5,610,936.67	344,058.08	344,058.08	0.00
		388,803.75	27,029,449.00	26,972,043.67	446,209.08	446,209.08	0.00
Regional Vocational	Shawsheen Vocational	0.00	3,436,269.00	3,436,269.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	3,436,269.00	3,436,269.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Education Subtotal		388,803.75	30,465,718.00	30,408,312.67	446,209.08	446,209.08	0.00
DEBT SERVICE:							
Debt & Interest	Schools	0.00	3,037,525.00	3,037,525.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt & Interest	Gen. Government	0.00	1,038,752.00	1,038,752.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt & Interest	Sewer	0.00	168,348.00	168,348.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt & Interest	Water	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt & Interest	Auth. Fees & Misc.	0.00	5,000.00	1,589.50	3,410.50	0.00	3,410.50
		0.00	4,249,625.00	4,246,214.50	3,410.50	0.00	3,410.50
Debt & Interest Subtotal		0.00	4,249,625.00	4,246,214.50	3,410.50	0.00	3,410.50
Insurance & Bonds		0.00	567,350.00	551,190.32	16,159.68	0.00	16,159.68
Employee Health & Life Insurance		298,112.63	6,700,833.72	6,998,946.35	0.00	0.00	0.00
Veterans' Retirement		0.00	13,008.00	13,008.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employ. Retire. Unused Sick Leave		0.00	61,500.00	56,750.15	4,749.85	0.00	4,749.85
Medicare Employers' Contr.		0.00	450,000.00	450,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salary Adj. & Add. Costs		0.00	90,000.00	89,750.99	249.01	0.00	249.01
Local Trans/Training Conf.		0.00	5,000.00	2,357.73	2,642.27	0.00	2,642.27
Out of State Travel		0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Computer Hdwe/Sftwe Maint. & Expenses		0.00	85,000.00	55,257.62	29,742.38	29,742.38	0.00
Annual Audit		0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ambulance Billing		0.00	25,000.00	21,833.16	3,166.84	0.00	3,166.84
Town Report		0.00	10,000.00	8,126.20	1,873.80	0.00	1,873.80
Professional & Technical Services		101,383.18	50,000.00	50,604.83	100,778.35	100,778.35	0.00
Reserve Fund		0.00	18,077.00	0.00	18,077.00	0.00	18,077.00
Unclassified Subtotal		399,495.81	8,097,268.72	8,317,825.35	178,939.18	130,520.73	48,418.45
Current Year Overlay		0.00	700,000.00	0.00	700,000.00	0.00	700,000.00
Retirement Contributions		0.00	3,200,477.00	3,200,477.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Offset Items		0.00	44,233.00	0.00	44,233.00	0.00	44,233.00
Special Education		0.00	0.00	301.00	(301.00)	0.00	(301.00)
Mass Bay Trans Auth.		0.00	432,304.00	432,304.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAPC (Ch. 688 of 1963)		0.00	6,217.00	6,217.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

FUNCTION/ACTIVITY		CARRY FWD TO FY 08 FROM FY 07	TRANSFER & APPROPRIATION FISCAL 2008	EXPENDITURES FISCAL 2008	BALANCE FISCAL 2008	CARRY FWD TO FY 09 FROM FY 08	CLOSE FISCAL 2008
RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge		0.00	16,060.00	16,140.00	(80.00)	0.00	(80.00)
Metro Air Poll. Cont. Dist.		0.00	6,394.00	6,394.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mosquito Control Program		0.00	45,166.00	45,906.00	(740.00)	0.00	(740.00)
M.W.R.A. Sewer Assessment		0.00	1,815,075.00	1,768,169.00	46,906.00	0.00	46,906.00
Charter Schools		0.00	32,788.00	64,466.00	(31,678.00)	0.00	(31,678.00)
School Choice		0.00	0.00	20,500.00	(20,500.00)	0.00	(20,500.00)
Criminal Justice Training		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Essex County Tech Institure		0.00	12,493.00	12,493.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statutory Charges Subtotal		0.00	6,311,207.00	5,573,367.00	737,840.00	0.00	737,840.00
Unclassified	Memonal/Vets Day	1,583.99	5,500.00	6,961.35	122.64	0.00	122.64
Unclassified	Lease of Quarters	750.00	1,500.00	2,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unclassified	Storm Water Mgmt Plan	13,649.90	0.00	0.00	13,649.90	13,649.90	0.00
Unclassified	Senior Tax Rebate Prog.	2,463.49	12,800.00	10,059.00	5,204.49	5,204.49	0.00
Unclassified	Site Cleanup Abigail Island	18,460.39	0.00	14,639.86	3,820.53	3,820.53	0.00
Unclassified	Facility Needs Study	115,000.00	0.00	56,238.33	58,761.67	58,761.67	0.00
Unclassified	Drainage Master Plan#1	3,214.03	89,000.00	15,102.62	77,111.41	77,111.41	0.00
Warrant Articles Subtotal		155,121.80	108,800.00	105,251.16	158,670.64	158,548.00	122.64
Police	Cruisers	0.00	143,645.00	143,282.45	362.55	0.00	362.55
Police	Computer Aided Dispatch	0.00	69,176.00	63,729.43	5,446.57	0.00	5,446.57
Fire	Ambulance	8,300.00	0.00	8,256.98	43.02	0.00	43.02
Public Works	Library Parking Lot Improve	0.00	77,000.00	31,230.37	45,769.63	45,769.63	0.00
Public Works	Construction/Maint Vehicles	0.00	250,000.00	247,528.05	2,471.95	0.00	2,471.95
Public Works	One Ton Dump Truck	0.00	57,000.00	56,482.00	518.00	0.00	518.00
Public Works	Cemetery Expansion	50,005.64	0.00	10,493.08	39,512.56	39,512.56	0.00
Public Buildings	Roof Repairs	0.00	130,130.00	59,721.00	70,409.00	70,409.00	0.00
School	Burner Replacement	0.00	120,000.00	109,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00
School	Roof Repairs	0.00	55,000.00	42,700.00	12,300.00	0.00	12,300.00
Capital Outlay Subtotal		58,305.64	901,951.00	772,423.36	187,833.28	166,691.19	21,142.09
GRAND TOTAL		1,174,648.96	71,236,950.72	70,075,056.20	2,336,543.48	1,188,390.32	1,147,883.99

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
WATER DEPARTMENT
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

REVENUES:	Actual Fiscal 2005	Actual Fiscal 2006	Actual Fiscal 2007	Actual Fiscal 2008
Water Receivables Rates	2,833,982.82	3,020,256.92	3,067,949.93	3,333,286.83
Water Receivables Services	22,465.11	32,817.48	12,217.88	23,682.75
Water Receivables Industrial	85,188.76	19,706.65	17,182.69	27,905.40
Water Receivables Connections	89,822.47	54,926.50	49,528.95	76,041.06
Water Receivables Fire Protection	50,171.47	52,057.99	54,057.26	447,068.50
Water Receivables Cross Connections	30,067.94	26,709.30	29,995.00	32,427.50
Water Liens	129,532.86	106,025.19	125,591.94	151,592.83
Special Assessments	435.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Rentals	76,199.04	106,928.99	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	20,202.29	132,285.56	4,418,212.56	69,994.78
Reimbursements	7,594.95	18,220.95	4,829.05	0.00
Total Revenue	3,345,663.66	3,569,935.53	7,779,565.26	4,161,999.65
Operating Costs	2,485,048.30	3,535,119.18	4,135,190.05	5,400,466.12
Total Operating Costs	2,485,048.30	3,535,119.18	4,135,190.05	5,400,466.12
Excess Revenues over Operating Costs	860,615.36	34,816.35	3,644,375.21	(1,238,466.47)
Transfer to General Fund for Debt Service, Employees Benefits and Allocated Charges	493,508.00	559,312.00	610,580.00	648,778.00
Excess of Expenditures and Transfers over Revenues	367,107.36	(524,495.65)	3,033,795.21	(1,887,244.47)
Total Fund Balance - Beginning	2,069,584.11	2,436,691.47	1,912,195.82	4,945,991.03
Total Fund Balance - Ending	2,436,691.47	1,912,195.82	4,945,991.03	3,058,746.56

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINING STATEMENTS OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Main Street Sewer	Middle School Project	Public Safety Building	High School Renovation	Total (Memorandum Only)
Town Meeting Dates	4/22/89	4/26/97	4/26/97	4/21/01	
Initial Project Authorization	747,000	24,300,000	7,986,000	975,000	34,088,000
REVENUES:					
Intergovemmental	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES:					
Capital Outlay					
Total Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess of revenues over/under expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Financial Sources(uses):					
Retirement of Bond Anticipation Notes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Proceeds of General Obligation Bonds & Notes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Operating Transfers	0.00	(121,812.80)	0.00	(3,278.66)	(125,091.46)
Other Financial Sources/Uses	0.00	(121,812.80)	0.00	(3,278.66)	(125,091.46)
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	0.00	(121,812.80)	0.00	(3,278.66)	(125,091.46)
FUND BALANCE JULY 1, 2007	56,000.60	121,812.80	3,615.92	3,278.66	184,707.98
FUND BALANCE JUNE 30, 2008	56,000.60	0.00	3,615.92	0.00	59,616.52

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM DEBT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008

DESCRIPTION	YEAR ISSUE	YEAR DUE	RATE	ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING JUNE 30, 2007	BOND ADDITIONS	PRINCIPAL RETIREMENTS	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING JUNE 30, 2008
INSIDE DEBT LIMIT								
Comprehensive Middle School	06/2001	06/2011	4.5-5.0	24,300,000	9,734,000	0	2,427,500	7,306,500
High School Renovation	06/2001	06/2011	4.5-5.0	975,000	390,000	0	97,500	292,500
Public Safety Building	06/2001	06/2011	4.5-5.0	5,986,000	2,386,000	0	600,000	1,786,000
Public Safety Building	06/2001	06/2011	4.5-5.0	2,000,000	800,000	0	200,000	600,000
General Government Land Purchase	12/2005	06/2011	3.9	0	268,000	0	67,000	201,000
Main Street Sewer Project	06/2001	06/2011	4.5-5.0	985,000	385,000	0	100,000	285,000
MWPAT (Title 5 Septic)	Various			400,000	355,514	0	25,080	330,434
MWRA Collateral Agreement	02/2003	02/2011		119,350	100,320	0	25,080	75,240
TOTAL INSIDE DEBT LIMIT				34,765,350	14,418,834	0	3,542,160	10,876,674

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDABLE AND NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
IN CUSTODY OF TOWN TREASURER FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Balance June 30, 2007				Investment			GAAP Trust	Balance June 30, 2008		
	Non-Expend	Expendable	Total	Bequests	Income	Transfers	Expenditures	Adjustments	Non-Expend	Expendable	Total
S. Carter Common Fund	200.00	1,309.89	1,509.89	0.00	3.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1,313.24	1,513.24
SDJ Carter Lecture Fund	6,000.00	3,977.30	9,977.30	0.00	38.99	0.00	300.00	0.00	6,000.00	3,716.29	9,716.29
Library Funds:											
Benjamin Buck	500.00	120.05	620.05	0.00	19.25	0.00	139.30	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Burnap	200.00	10.27	210.27	0.00	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	10.97	210.97
Chester M. Clark	500.00	511.13	1,011.13	0.00	3.37	0.00	449.00	0.00	500.00	65.50	565.50
Charlotte C. Smith	500.00	663.32	1,163.32	0.00	3.87	0.00	450.00	0.00	500.00	217.19	717.19
Stanley Webber	0.00	2.50	2.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.50	2.50
Walker School Fund	275.00	1,401.70	1,676.70	0.00	4.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	275.00	1,406.52	1,681.52
Housing Partnership	0.00	109,841.91	109,841.91	0.00	365.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	110,207.88	110,207.88
Cemetery Funds	722,289.67	77,406.76	799,696.43	25,050.00	2,575.76	(15,000.00)	100.00	0.00	747,339.67	64,882.52	812,222.19
Biggar Scholarship	25,000.00	7,199.24	32,199.24	0.00	107.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00	7,306.52	32,306.52
Scott D. Braciska Scholarship	0.00	24,180.62	24,180.62	0.00	90.69	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	23,771.31	23,771.31
Altman Fam Education Trust	25,000.00	963.72	25,963.72	0.00	146.16	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	25,000.00	(390.12)	24,609.88
Justin O'Neil Scholarship	0.00	13,495.41	13,495.41	0.00	61.73	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,557.14	10,557.14
Elderly Services	0.00	43,027.65	43,027.65	15,229.80	2,015.86	0.00	11,726.91	0.00	0.00	48,546.40	48,546.40
Carney-Veterans Fund	0.00	24.32	24.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.32	24.32
Town Scholarship Fund	0.00	7,218.01	7,218.01	3,239.00	43.62	0.00	2,750.00	0.00	0.00	7,750.63	7,750.63
WHS Scholarship Fund	0.00	100,428.25	100,428.25	28,900.00	1,284.99	0.00	48,565.00	0.00	0.00	82,048.24	82,048.24
Zeneca Settlement	0.00	5,588.34	5,588.34	0.00	198.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,787.29	5,787.29
Invest. Fund Conservation	0.00	1,188.41	1,188.41	0.00	42.30	0.00	695.00	0.00	0.00	535.71	535.71
Confined Space	0.00	2,362.76	2,362.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,374.23	0.00	0.00	988.53	988.53
Employee's Health & Life Insurance	0.00	478,618.91	478,618.91	2,586,625.71	18,091.32	379,850.00	2,342,186.04	(347,391.28)	0.00	773,608.62	773,608.62
Employer's Health & Life Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,409,467.98	0.00	(1,042,173.84)	0.00	367,294.14	367,294.14
Olin Chemical	0.00	52,356.24	52,356.24	0.00	1,864.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	54,220.27	54,220.27
Andover St. Traffic Lights	0.00	17.62	17.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.62	17.62
Tracy Circle	0.00	5,523.08	5,523.08	0.00	196.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,719.71	5,719.71
Barrows Aud. Renovation	0.00	943.25	943.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	943.25	943.25
Flex Spending Town & School	0.00	(1,021.73)	(1,021.73)	146,221.14	0.00	0.00	138,821.74	0.00	0.00	6,377.67	6,377.67
Flex Spending School	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ambulance	0.00	0.00	0.00	75,143.74	0.00	0.00	75,143.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Middlesex Pines I & II	0.00	6,986.39	6,986.39	0.00	248.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,235.11	7,235.11
Adoption	0.00	390.05	390.05	0.00	13.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	403.94	403.94
I93 Ballardvale	0.00	1,357.85	1,357.85	0.00	48.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,406.20	1,406.20
National Grid Transfer	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Student Activity Fund	0.00	52,350.55	52,350.55	132,932.24	3,813.11	0.00	121,608.20	0.00	0.00	67,487.70	67,487.70
Student Activity Fund Wildwood	0.00	2,697.81	2,697.81	1,020.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,717.95	3,717.95
Student Activity Fund Boutwell	0.00	1,828.92	1,828.92	1,577.30	0.00	0.00	2,596.67	0.00	0.00	809.55	809.55
Student Activity Fund Middle Sch	0.00	51,413.50	51,413.50	188,422.73	0.00	0.00	192,467.15	0.00	0.00	47,369.08	47,369.08
Student Activity Fund No Intermediate	0.00	7,336.10	7,336.10	17,806.85	0.00	0.00	17,749.14	0.00	0.00	7,393.81	7,393.81
Student Activity Fund West Intermediate	0.00	3,487.84	3,487.84	6,345.26	0.00	0.00	6,460.34	0.00	0.00	3,372.76	3,372.76
Student Activity Fund Woburn St	0.00	13,697.93	13,697.93	21,807.26	0.00	0.00	23,041.05	0.00	0.00	12,464.14	12,464.14
Student Activity Fund Shawsheen	0.00	20,230.82	20,230.82	13,477.09	0.00	0.00	24,599.78	0.00	0.00	9,108.13	9,108.13
Student Activity Fund Reserve	0.00	75,245.01	75,245.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75,245.01	75,245.01
Tailings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tax Title Recordings	0.00	0.00	0.00	265.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	265.00	265.00

TOWN OF WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDABLE AND NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
IN CUSTODY OF TOWN TREASURER FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Balance June 30, 2007				Investment			GAAP Trust	Balance June 30, 2008		
	Non-Expend	Expendable	Total	Bequests	Income	Transfers	Expenditures	Adjustments	Non-Expend	Expendable	Total
Street Openings	0.00	77,500.00	77,500.00	49,000.00	0.00	0.00	14,500.00	0.00	0.00	112,000.00	112,000.00
Dog Licenses	0.00	33,787.00	33,787.00	19,155.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52,942.00	52,942.00
Sporting Licenses	0.00	6,293.60	6,293.60	7,226.00	0.00	0.00	6,857.20	0.00	0.00	6,662.40	6,662.40
Firearms Permits	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	17,912.50	0.00	0.00	16,275.00	0.00	0.00	3,137.50	3,137.50
Outside Details: Police	0.00	(17,424.12)	(17,424.12)	501,080.68	0.00	0.00	483,139.76	0.00	0.00	516.80	516.80
Outside Details: Fire	0.00	9,753.53	9,753.53	34,053.18	0.00	0.00	34,433.03	0.00	0.00	9,373.68	9,373.68
Outside Details: Public Bldgs	0.00	9,299.03	9,299.03	70,415.01	0.00	0.00	69,982.68	0.00	0.00	9,731.36	9,731.36
Forfeiture Deposits	0.00	29,600.00	29,600.00	305.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,905.00	29,905.00
Performance Bonds	0.00	99.44	99.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	99.44	99.44
Meals Tax	0.00	303.11	303.11	777.61	0.00	0.00	970.17	0.00	0.00	110.55	110.55
GRAND TOTAL	784,284.67	1,341,273.29	2,125,557.96	3,963,988.24	31,283.71	1,774,317.98	3,642,381.13	(1,389,565.12)	809,334.67	2,053,866.97	2,863,201.64

PUBLIC SAFETY

Fire Department

It is with great pleasure that I submit the following annual report of the operations, activities and accomplishments of the Wilmington Fire Department for the year 2008. Chief Daniel R. Stewart and Lieutenant Christopher J. Nee retired from the Fire Department. Fire Fighters Anthony J. Adamczyk, Jacob H. Gronemeyer, Keith E. Kelly, Jason M. Kennedy, Rann R. Tingtella and Robert W. Varey III were appointed to the department. All new recruits graduated from the Massachusetts Fire Fighting Academy 12 week recruit program.

The manual force consists of the Chief, Deputy Chief, six Lieutenants, thirty-three fire fighters, one full-time clerk and one part-time clerk. The following roster is provided:

Fire Chief
Edward G. Bradbury, Jr.

Deputy Fire Chief
Edmund J. Corcoran, III

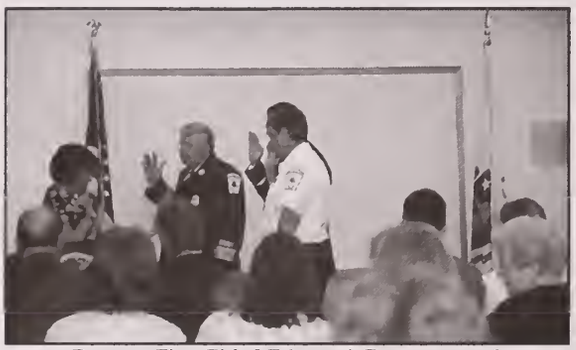
Lieutenants
John Brown, Jr.
Gary J. Donovan
Daniel M. Hurley, Jr.
Richard T. McClellan
Joseph T. McMahon
Gary P. Robichaud

Clerks
Linda K. DeMole
Isabel E. Raschella – Part-Time

Town Clerk Sharon George swears in Edward Bradbury as Fire Chief.

Fire Fighters

Anthony J. Adamczyk
Brian D. Anderson
George A. Anderson, Jr.
George A. Anderson, III
Thomas C. Casella
William F. Cavanaugh
Thomas W. Ceres
Walter R. Daley
David R. Feyler
Kenneth P. Gray
Eric M. Gronemeyer
Jacob H. Gronemeyer
William J. Herrick, Jr.
Richard J. Hughes
Keith E. Kelly
Jason M. Kennedy
Andrew W. Leverone
John F. McDonough
Terry L. McKenna
Michael J. McManus
Eric J. Nansel
Robert E. Patrie, Jr.
Christopher G. Pozzi
Eric S. Robbins
Frederick J. Ryan
Daniel J. Stygles
Charles R. Taylor, Jr.
Rann R. Tingtella
Robert W. Varey, Jr.
Robert W. Varey, III
Robert E. Vassallo, Jr.
David P. Woods
Robert J. Woods, Jr.


Deputy Fire Chief Edmund Corcoran and Fire Lieutenants Richard McClellan and Gary Donovan are sworn in to their new positions.

Fire Fighters Michael McManus, Jason Kennedy and Rann Tingtella are sworn in by Town Clerk Sharon George.

The department responded to a total of 3,233 calls during 2008.

Residential Buildings	4	False Alarms	156
Residential (Other)	4	Ambulance/Rescues/Water	1,862
Commercial Structures	3	Service Calls	334
Commercial (Other)	0	Carbon Monoxide Detectors	44
Chimney, Fireplaces &		Haz Mat	2
Woodburning Stoves	5		
Vehicles	21	Out of Town Assistance	123
Brush, Grass or Rubbish	50	Haz Mat	0
Dumpsters	3	Fire	27
Inspections	622	Ambulance/Rescue	96

Estimated value of property endangered was $11,470,000. Estimated property loss $488,500.

The following is a list of permits issued:

Black Powder	2	Propane	59
Blasting	3	Smoke Detector	178
Class C Explosive	0	Tank	59
Fire Alarm	61	Miscellaneous	9
Flammable Liquid	16	Sprinkler	62
Oil Burner	147	Gas Stations	0
Truck	42	Reports	35
Welding	5	Carnival	1
Plan Review	71	Suppression	5
		TOTAL	755

As required by law, the Fire Prevention Bureau under the direction of Lt. Daniel Hurley inspected all schools, public buildings, nursing homes and flammable storage facilities. Other inspections listed below:

New Residential Plans Review	31
New Residential Fire Inspections	61
New Industrial Plans Review	40
Fire Inspection Industrial/Commercial	40
Underground Tank Removals	7
Underground Tank Installations	0
Aboveground Tank Removals	52
Oil Burner/ Tank	147
Propane	59
Nursing Home Inspections	8
Gas Station Inspections	11

Shift personnel inspected 282 residential/commercial properties for smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in compliance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 148, Section 26F.

Classrooms at all of the public schools grades K-5 have received instruction on fire safety by Lieutenant Daniel Hurley. The Safe Grant was funded and allowed for the continuation of fire safety education in the schools. Fire Fighters Thomas Ceres, Christopher Pozzi, Frederick Ryan, Eric Nansel, William Cavanaugh, Robert Patrie and Lt. Richard McClellan instructed students in fire safety. Seniors at the Senior Center also received instruction on fire safety.

The municipal fire alarm division personnel are Deputy Chief Edmund Corcoran and Fire Fighter David Feyler. Their mission is to maintain and expand the Municipal Fire Alarm System/Keltron Digital Communicator to provide fire alarm signal transmission from the protected properties back to the Public Safety Dispatch Center. These alarm systems are installed in new and existing buildings. They are the quickest and most reliable way to transmit a fire alarm signal directly to the Fire Department.

Two hundred forty-seven master boxes, sixteen street boxes and twenty-five miles of wire currently make up the six circuits. All circuits and boxes are in good working order and all repairs due to weather related incidents or motor vehicles hitting utility poles have been corrected or are in the process of being corrected at the time of this report.

New Master Boxes installed in 2008:

1213	Bank of America, 390 Main Street
1214	Realty Trust, 36 Middlesex Avenue
1235	Wilmington Crossing (Staples), 221-241 Main Street
1236	Wilmington Crossing (Starbucks), 251 & 253 Main Street
1238	Wilmington Crossing (Near Cumberland), 209-219 Main Street
1239	Danvers Bank, 247 Main Street
1241	Sovereign Bank, 280 Main Street
1244	CVS, 222 Main Street
3153	Paul's Landscaping, 911 Main Street
3372	Regency Place, Horseshoe Lane
6366	Charles River, 251 Ballardvale Street, Building 20

New Keltron Digital Dialers installed in 2008:

63	Charles River, 251 Ballardvale Street, Building 20
64	Wilmington Crossing (Staples), 221-241 Main Street
65	Wilmington Crossing (Starbucks), 251 & 253 Main Street
66	Wilmington Crossing 209-219 Main Street
67	One Jewell Drive
68	Bank of America, 390 Main Street
70	Regency Place, Horseshoe Lane
71	CVS, 222 Main Street
72	265 Ballardvale Street
73	Danvers Bank, 247 Main Street
74	Sovereign Bank, 280 Main Street
75	Realty Trust, 36 Middlesex Avenue
76	Paul's Landscaping, 911 Main Street
77	Regency Place, Horseshoe Lane
78	Ametek, 60 Fordham Road

I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to all members for their continued dedication and professionalism serving the residents of the town. Sincere appreciation is also extended to all the members of the Police and Dispatch Departments for your efforts.

As always, I would like to thank the Town Manager and his staff, Assistant Town Manager, Department Heads, the Board of Selectmen and the many organizations for their assistance during the past year.

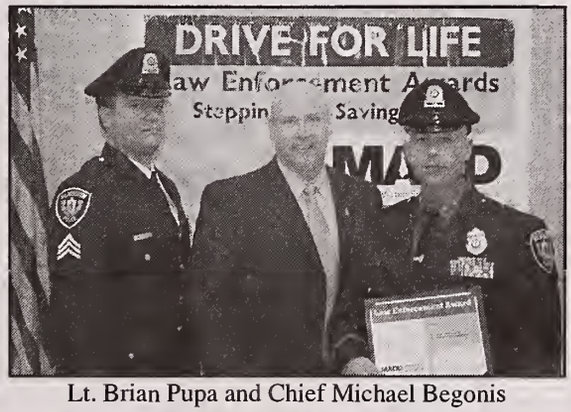
Police and Fire Department Honor Guards
lead the Memorial Day parade.

Police Department

In accordance with the By-laws of the Town of Wilmington, I hereby respectfully submit the annual report on the activities of the Wilmington Police Department for the year 2008.

The organization of staff in the Wilmington Police Department has changed according to funded levels approved in last year's annual Town Meeting. With the funding of the two additional Lieutenants positions we have been able to move forward in two vital administrative functions that will enhance our ability to provide services to the community. One lieutenant has been assigned to oversee our emergency management preparedness planning and training functions within the Department. Our Emergency Planning Division works closely with members of the Wilmington Fire Department and several State and Federal agencies as we coordinate our response plans in the event of an emergency. Great attention to detail in preparing our comprehensive public safety response is the key to successful deployment of resources in the event they are needed. Post 9-11 procedure requires regional collaborative effort to bring the necessary response to bear on planned and unplanned events. Many contingency plans are being developed using best practices in our response to these planned and unplanned events both natural and manmade. The training function of our department goes hand in hand with our response planning. After plans, policies and best practices are developed the Department must train officers and support staff to follow the plans as they are placed into operation. We foresee the need for this division to continue as we update our response plans and train to new levels. The second additional Lieutenant position will be assigned the responsibility of moving the Department toward certification and accreditation under the Massachusetts Standards. The Department is always adapting to new laws which govern its operation. As changes in these legal precedents take effect we must tailor our policies and procedures to adhere the standards set in those decisions. The standardization of our procedures ensures equal and measured responses to incidents we are asked to address on a daily basis. Along with these promotions we hired two new patrolmen to the force. Officer Michael Patterson comes from a distinguished family of law enforcement professionals and completed his academy and field training late in December. Officer Brian Thornton was hired in November and came to us by way of a lateral transfer. He was previously employed in the City of Revere and employed as a Police Officer assigned to their Gang Unit. Both officers are certified and assigned to the midnight to 8 a.m. patrol shifts.

As presented in past reports, the Department continues to actively pursue partnerships with other agencies and departments within our community and throughout the nation. We believe our best opportunities for success are through shared resources and information. We partner with many agencies that are not directly involved in law enforcement on a daily basis. One of our most cherished partnerships is with our elderly community at the Senior Center and the residents of Deming Way. Officers spend many hours listening, sharing time and helping as volunteers in an effort to support and protect this most precious segment of our community. We continued our partnerships with the Wilmington and Shawsheen School Districts. We are committed to maintaining a presence in the schools through our School Resource Officers, DARE and Safety programs. We participate in the Wilmington Schools Evacuation Planning meetings and provide assistance and advice as needed. We collaborate with the schools and the Middlesex District Attorney's office in their Community Base Justice Programs helping troubled youth receive the guidance and resources they need to make better decisions as they move forward to adulthood.



Lt. Brian Pupa and Chief Michael Begonis with Officer John Delorey who was honored in March by MADD for his commitment to enforcing impaired driver laws.

The Department wishes to recognize the staff at the Wilmington Public Safety Dispatch who assist the Police Department in successfully completing each mission and call for service. The men and women of our Public Safety Dispatch division are the unsung heroes in many of our most trying but successful endeavors. They stand beside us in the front line of service to our community in times of its most pressing need. Their commitment to our community is unparalleled in their profession and we truly would not be as successful as we are today without their steadfast dedication.

The Department has moved forward on the installation of the new radio system appropriated at last year's Town Meeting. We expect a late January 2009 completion date for this project. Upon completion of this digital/analog system we will have moved dramatically closer to our goal of Interoperability and Federal compliance initiatives. With this new system we will maintain redundancy in communications allowing us the ability to maintain radio communications when components of the system fail or are inoperable.

The following was the Departmental Roster of Personnel for most of 2008:

Chief of Police

Michael R. Begonis

Deputy Police Chief

Robert V. Richter

Lieutenants

Joseph A. Desmond, Operations/Grants
J. Christopher Neville, Detective
Brian T. Pupa, Accreditation and Policy Development
Scott A. Sencabaugh, Emergency Planning/Training

Sergeants

Christopher J. Ahern
David L. Axelrod
David J. Bradbury
Charles R. Fiore
David M. McCue, Jr.
Daniel E. Murray

Detectives and Specialists

John M. Bossi, Narcotics
Julie M. Brisbois, DARE
Chester A. Bruce, III, School Resource
Brian T. Hermann, School Resource
Patrick J. King, Juvenile/Sex
Thomas A. Miller, Inspector
Brian M. Moon, Safety Officer
Patrick B. Nally, Inspector
David A. Sugrue, Inspector
Brian J. Stickney, Inspector
James R. White, Court/Inspector

Uniform Patrol Officers

Ronald J. Alpers, Jr.
Dan C. Cadigan
Paul R. Chalifour
John W. Delorey
Daniel P. D'Eon
Christopher J. Dindo
Richard A. DiPerri, Jr.
Anthony Fiore
Brian J. Gillis
Francis D. Hancock
Joseph F. Harris, Jr.
Paul W. Jepson
Paul A. Krzeminski
Shawn W. Lee
Louis Martignetti
Stephen F. Mauriello
Thomas A. McConologue
Eric T. Palmer/K-9 KIMO
Michael Patterson
Dennis P. Rooney
Jon C. Shepard
Matthew D. Stavro
Brian Thornton
Michael W. Wandell

Clerical Staff

Patricia Gustafson and Julie Clark

The following are some statistical data that reflect calls for service over the past year.

Wilmington Police Department Statistics, Year 2008

ARRESTS:	
Arson	0
Assault & Battery	42
Breaking & Entering	12
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0
Disorderly	12
Larceny	22
Larceny Motor Vehicle	4
Liquor Laws	16
Malicious Damage	6
Murder	1
Narcotics	23
OUI, Drunk Driving	64
Rape	0
Receiving Stolen Property	18
Robbery	2
Sex Offenses, not Rape	1
Other	164
TOTAL:	387

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY:	
Ages:	
11/12	0
13/14	0
15	2
16	4
17	8
TOTAL UNDER 18:	14
18	15
19	3
20	7
21	8
22	5
23	4
24	5
25/34	19
35/54	38
55 & Over	2
TOTAL OVER 18:	106
TOTAL PROTECTIVE CUSTODY:	120

SEX CRIMES:	
Rape	1
Indecent Exposure	0
Indecent A&B	5
Other	1
TOTAL SEX CRIMES:	7

MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS:	
Seat Belt	338
Using Without Authority	4
License Violations	258
Endangering	15
Leaving Scene Property Damage	22
Operating Under Influence	71
Unregistered/Uninsured	194
Speed	2,510
Other	1,677
TOTAL VIOLATIONS:	5,089

CITATIONS ISSUED:	
Warnings	2,764
Complaints	177
Non-Criminal	978
Arrests	123
TOTAL CITATIONS:	4,042

CRIMES REPORTED:	
Threats	26
Assault & Battery:	
Knife	9
Other Weapon	16
Aggravated-Hand/Foot	38
Simple Assault	58
TOTAL ASSAULTS:	147

BREAKING & ENTERING:	
Residential	78
Non Residential	60
Attempted	7
TOTAL BREAKING & ENTERING:	145

LARCENIES:	
Purse Snatching	1
Pick Pocketing	3
Shoplifting	36
From Motor Vehicle	54
M/V Parts & Accessories	1
Bikes	3
From Buildings	65
From Coin Machines	0
Other	193
TOTAL LARCENIES:	356
Frauds	56

MOTOR VEHICLES STOLEN:	
Autos	12
Trucks & Buses	2
Other Vehicles	1
TOTAL M/V THEFT:	15

RECOVERED MOTOR VEHICLES:	
Stolen Wilmington and Recovered Wilmington	7
Stolen Wilmington and Recovered Out of Town	5
Stolen Out of Town and Recovered Wilmington	4
TOTAL RECOVERED:	16

ROBBERY:	
Firearm	0
Other Weapon	1
Strong Arm	0
TOTAL ROBBERIES:	1

INCIDENTS REPORTED:	
Homicide	1
Disturbances	485
Domestic Problems	109
Assist Other Agencies	761
Fires Responded to	80
Juvenile Complaints	32
Suspicious Activity, Persons, Vehicles	1,540
Malicious Damage Complaints	255
Prowlers Reported	4
Other Calls/Complaints	16,179
M/V Accidents	810
Alarms	1,263
Suicides & Attempts	9
TOTAL:	21,528

OTHER DEPARTMENT FUNCTIONS:	
Restraining Orders Served	115
Parking Tickets Issued	245
Firearms I.D. Issued	27
License To Carry Issued	157
Dealer Permits Issued	1
Reports to Insurance Companies and Attorneys	543
Animal Complaints	781
Child Safety Seats	457
TOTAL:	2,326

Animal Control

Dogs Licensed	1,936
Complaints	908
Trips	910
Trip Hours	874
Animals Picked Up	21
Animals Returned to Owners	18
Animals Adopted	3
Animals Picked Up Deceased	44
Animals Quarantined	8
Animals Euthanized	1
Total Days for Pets in Kennel	60
Pets Vaccinated at Rabies Clinic	219
Citation Fees Issued	$100
Total Working Hours	1,907.5

Kimo rides shotgun.

FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE

Public Buildings Department

The Public Buildings Department is responsible for the maintenance of all town and school buildings. We are responsible to ensure that facilities are properly cleaned and maintained for town employees, school children and personnel and the general public. We also repair town-owned traffic signals and assist the Water Department in maintaining their buildings.

The following are the highlights of some of the projects completed during 2008:

Routine maintenance was performed in all school and municipal buildings.

Voting areas were set up for elections.

Set up for Fourth of July Festivities.

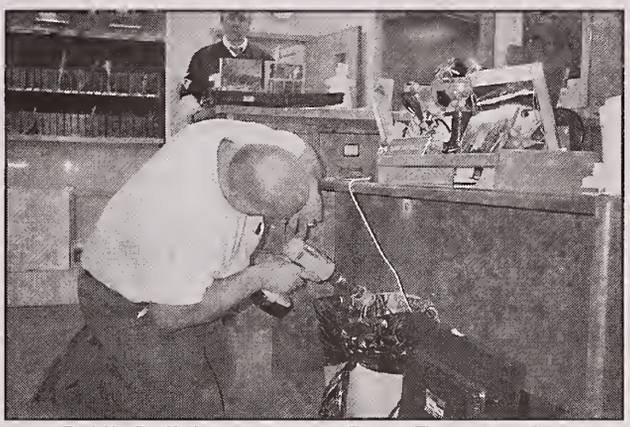
Chairs and choral risers were moved from school to school for musical concerts and plays.

Food and supplies delivered for each school.

Chairs, staging and sound system were set up for the Annual Town Meeting.

All schools were cleaned over the summer and ready for a clean, fresh start to the school year.

All town buildings' boilers and exhaust systems were cleaned and serviced over the summer.



Public Buildings carpenter, Barry Ferrara, makes adjustments to a work station at Town Hall.

New 4,100 square foot area of roof was replaced at the Department of Public Works Garage.

Installed a new acoustical ceiling system and upgraded the lighting to a new energy efficient parabolic system in the first floor of the Memorial Library.

Renovated the Circulation, Computer and Children's areas of the Memorial Library.

New floor tiles were installed at the high school in Room 218.

A fresh coat of paint was applied to the exterior of the Carriage House at the Tavern.

A fresh coat of paint was applied to the exterior of the Library and the Book Store Next Door.

All town-owned traffic signals were maintained and repaired as needed.

Maintained and repaired lighting for the Town Park, Town Common and the exterior of all town-owned buildings.

I gratefully acknowledge the support of the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, town departments, school administration and especially all the employees of the Public Buildings Department for their continued help, support and cooperation making 2008 a productive year.

Permanent Building Committee

The year 2008 was a quiet year for the Permanent Building Committee. All projects are now complete. We hope that in the future, the construction of a new fire sub-station in North Wilmington will be funded.

We gratefully acknowledge the support of the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, town departments, school administration and especially the people of Wilmington in their support and cooperation for future projects.

Department of Public Works

In accordance with the By-laws of the Town of Wilmington, I, Donald N. Onusseit, hereby respectfully submit the annual report on the activities of the Wilmington Department of Public Works for the year 2008.

The Department of Public Works consists of six (6) divisions: Highway, Tree, Cemetery, Parks and Grounds, Engineering and Water & Sewer.

Major Public Works Projects:

Woburn Street Reconstruction Project – Construction on the section of sidewalk on Woburn Street from Lowell Street to the Woburn city line continued in 2008. This project involves drainage improvements, a continuous sidewalk from Lowell Street to the Woburn city line and roadway reconstruction. Due to the water main and subsequent sanitary sewer construction in this section of Woburn Street, the majority of this project will not be accomplished until 2009, with final roadway paving scheduled for the spring of 2010.

Library Parking Lot Improvement Project – The Department of Public Works completed the Library Parking Lot Improvement Project in 2008. The project included drainage upgrading, granite curbing, new walkways, new pavement and other landscaping improvements for the existing parking area. The project also included a new parking area adjacent to the existing parking lot with a connection between the existing upper, lower and new parking areas.

Highway Division (658-4481)

All regular highway maintenance work was carried out during the year, such as sweeping streets, installing street and warning signs, patching streets, cleaning catch basins, cutting brush along the roadsides, picking up trash along our roadsides, painting and replacing guardrails, repairing broken curbing, painting safety lines and crosswalks on streets, etc.

Curbing: Approximately 700 linear feet of damaged bituminous concrete curbing was replaced at various locations.

Intersection Islands: Due to constant maintenance problems, the two raised traffic islands at the intersection of High Street and Middlesex Avenue were replaced with new flush grade textured concrete islands.

Drainage: Approximately 55 linear feet of partially collapsed culverts (two 48 inch CMP) on Shawsheen Avenue at Lubbers Brook were replaced with two 42 inch PVC culverts by the Department of Public Works in-house forces.

The drainage system on Boutwell Street in the vicinity of Aldrich Road was extended by the Department of Public Works with the installation of approximately 350 linear feet of 12 inch PVC drainage pipe, one manhole and two catch basins.

Roadway Projects:

The following roadway projects were undertaken by the Department of Public Works in 2008:

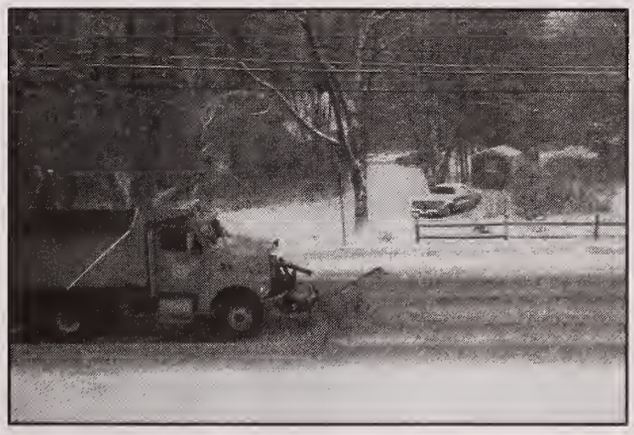
Bituminous Concrete Resurfacing with Pavement Cold Planning: Chapter 90 funds from the Massachusetts Highway Department were used for a total of 5,209 linear feet (0.99 miles) of work on the following roadway projects:

High Street (Middlesex Avenue to Woburn Street) – 3,552 linear feet
Middlesex Avenue (Route 62 to Salem Street) – 1,657 linear feet

Microsurfacing: Chapter 90 funds were used for a total of 8,845 linear feet (1.68 miles) of microsurfacing (with cracksealing) on the following roadways:

Woburn Street (Park Street to Route 62) – 3,865 linear feet
Hathaway Road (Woburn Street to Evans Drive) – 3,420 linear feet
Draper Drive (Evans Drive to Gunderson Road) – 1,560 linear feet

Snow & Ice Removal: The Highway Division recorded 74 inches of snow for the winter of 2007-2008. The average annual snowfall for Wilmington is approximately 56 inches.



Tree Division (658-2809)

The Tree Division carried out all regular maintenance work such as trimming, cutting, spraying, tree removal and tree planting. We removed roadside trees that were dead or interfered with public safety at numerous locations.

The Town Common was illuminated again this year with Christmas lights installed by the Tree Division. This year the town used approximately 1,700 LED lights for the first time. LED lights use significantly less energy than conventional lights.

Dutch Elm Disease: The Tree Division removed 35 diseased Dutch Elm trees.

Mosquito Control: The town contracts its mosquito control out to the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project (CMMCP). The CMMCP practices Integrated Mosquito Management (IMM), blending state-of-the-art methods and techniques with expertise, experience and scientific research to provide member communities with modern, environmentally sound, cost effective mosquito control. As part of the effort to reduce the need for pesticides, they continue to expand their water management program. By cleaning clogged and overgrown waterways, mosquito breeding can be reduced, wetlands are restored and water quality is improved.

BTI mosquito larvicide is used to treat areas where mosquito larvae are found. They routinely check known breeding sites, but also encourage the public to notify them of any areas they suspect could breed mosquitoes. Field crews will investigate all such sites and treat if needed.

The goal is to handle all mosquito problems with water management or larviciding but it is recognized that there are times when adult mosquito spraying is the only viable solution. In such cases residential and recreational areas are treated with either hand-held or pick-up mounted sprayers.

Cemetery Division (658-3901)

All regular maintenance work was carried out throughout the year, such as mowing grass, weeding, trimming, resetting grave markers, pouring foundations for monuments, etc.

Burials		Receipts	
Died in Wilmington	36	Interments	$ 78,602.00
Died Elsewhere	94	Foundations	$ 3,879.34
Non-Residents	14	Deeds	$ 116.00
Moved New Lot/Disinterment	1	TOTAL:	$ 82,597.34
TOTAL:	145		

(Cremations – 26; Infants – 1)

Reserve		Trust Fund	
Sale of Lots	$ 21,697.00	Perpetual Care	$ 21,875.00
Refund Reserve	$ 0	Refund Trust	$ 0
TOTAL:	$ 21,697.00	TOTAL:	$ 21,875.00

GRAND TOTAL: $ 126,169.34

Cemetery Expansion: The Department of Public Works completed the roadway, filling, grading and seeding work of the Wildwood Cemetery Phase 2 expansion adjacent to the Veterans' Section. In 2009, the Department of Public Works will install the footings and boundary markers to make this new section available for use. This section will contain approximately 170 new lots (4 grave, 2 grave and single grave) with 450 graves.

Parks & Grounds Division (658-4481)

All regular maintenance was carried out throughout the year such as cutting grass, trimming shrubs, aerating playing fields and marking ball fields for baseball, softball, football, field hockey and soccer. All fields and parks were fertilized and brush was cleared from the air vents at all the town's schools.

Athletic Field Projects: All fields were aerated and fertilized during the year. Alumni Field at the high school was top dressed and reseeded in preparation for the start of the fall season. This year the Little League Association raised the funds for the reconstruction of the Glen Road Field No. 4. This work included grading and reconstructing the entire infield.

Engineering Division (658-4499)

The Engineering Division assisted town departments, boards and commissions with engineering related projects. This included the review of subdivision plans, site plans and special permits for the Planning Board, Notice of Intent plan filings for the Conservation Commission and various Board of Appeals cases. The Division also established surety estimates for subdivision projects and performed construction inspections of subdivision roadways. In addition, surveying services and construction inspections were provided for various projects of the Department of Public Works.

Household Rubbish Collection, Disposal and Recycling (658-4481)

The Department of Public Works is responsible for the town's various refuse disposal and recycling programs. These programs include household rubbish and recycling; appliance, television and computer monitor recycling; yardwaste recycling; waste oil collection and household hazardous waste collection. If homeowners have any questions or complaints, please call the above number.

The yardwaste recycling program continued with the recycling of leaves, grass clippings, brush and Christmas trees. In January, 2,188 Christmas trees (approximately 22 tons) were collected at curbside by the Department of Public Works.

In 2008 the town collected the following amounts of trash and recyclable material:

Trash Collected at Curbside	10,054	Tons
Recyclables Collected at Curbside	1,283	Tons (Recycled)
White Goods Collected at Curbside	63	Tons (Recycled)
Yardwaste Collected at Curbside	774	Tons (Recycled)
Yardwaste Delivered to Recycling Center	244	Tons (Recycled)
Cathode Ray Tubes (TV's, Monitors) Collected	31	Tons (Recycled)

Working under a Beneficial Use Determination (BUD) issued by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the Department of Public Works removed the following waste material from our Yardwaste Center in 2008:

Water Treatment Plant Residuals -	888	Cubic Yards
Street Sweepings/Catch Basin Cleanings -	2,664	Cubic Yards
Yardwaste (contaminated) -	3,552	Cubic Yards

This material had been previously identified as requiring disposal at a total estimated cost to the town of over $200,000. The mixed material was approved by DEP for cover material at the Town of Danvers Landfill and was transported to Danvers at no cost to the Town of Wilmington.

Water & Sewer Department (978-658-4711)

Water:

The Water Department has focused this past year on bringing all the efforts from the last seven years together, to recapture our lost water supply. This will enable the Town's water system to operate appropriately and not under the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) water emergency declaration.

Two of the Salem Street Wells and the Shawsheen Avenue Well were cleaned and routine maintenance performed on the pumps. These wells are now in peak operating condition.

The 11 master meters were inspected and calibrated. All were found to be in good condition and are reading accurately. These meters quantify the amount of water pumped from these locations; the aquifer at the pump stations, water into the water treatment plants (WTP), water leaving the WTP and water withdrawals at the interconnections with Woburn, Burlington and the MWRA.

The MWRA pipeline project is complete. The project consists of 12,250 feet of 20-inch and 3,100 feet of 16-inch water main. The pipe allows the town to import water from the MWRA if a water shortage were to occur, as in the past six summers. The Town obtained all of its emergency water this year from this connection. If the Town decides to join the MWRA water system, this pipe would be used exclusively to supplement our existing water supply.

Further work has been conducted at the Brown's Crossing Wellfield to obtain regulatory approval to replace the existing tubular wellfield with up to four 12-inch gravel-packed wells. The new wells would be installed above the flood plain, out of the wetlands and allow maintenance to more easily be performed. The new wells will be more efficient and should recover the lost capacity of the 1929 Wellfield. Construction for the new wells and pump house will commence if funding is approved at the 2009 Annual Town Meeting.

During the months of May and June, the water main flushing and valve-exercising program was performed. The department performs the flushing of mains to remove sediments and tuberculation that have accumulated in the water pipes. About 6.2 million gallons of water were used to accomplish this task. This is a necessary procedure to produce the delivery of high-quality water to your home or business. At this time, all fire hydrants are inspected and repairs are made to any that are not in proper working condition.

We also asked all the owners of the 218 private yard hydrants if they would like us to check their hydrants for proper working condition. The majority of owners agreed to this free service and 178 inspections were performed. Owners were notified in writing of any repairs that were needed and we lubricated any caps that were not easily removed. A detailed analysis of those who did not participate, or hydrants in need of repair, was sent to the Fire Department for their awareness.

The department maintains and repairs as needed; 126 miles of water mains, 7,382 services, 1,174 fire hydrants, 754 main valves, 3 storage tanks, 9 pumping stations and 2 water treatment facilities in the town. In addition, the department removes snow and ice adjacent to the fire hydrants and assists the Highway Division with roadway snow and ice removal.

Pumping Statistics:	GALLONS	CUBIC FEET
Wilmington Treated:		
Maximum per Day	2,250,200	300,829
Maximum per Week	15,024,696	2,008,649
Maximum per Month	57,903,450	7,741,103

MWRA Purchased:	GALLONS	CUBIC FEET
Maximum per Day	1,753,557	234,433
Maximum per Week	8,529,868	1,140,357
Maximum per Month	28,165,450	3,765,434
Combined:		
Maximum per Day	3,101,178	414,596
Maximum per Week	19,313,972	2,582,082
Maximum per Month	72,724,630	9,722,544
Average per Day	2,005,753	268,149
Average per Month	61,161,362	8,176,653
Total Purchased (MWRA)	135,979,561	18,179,086
Total Treated (Wilmington)	597,956,784	79,940,747
Total Provided for Distribution	733,936,345	98,119,832
Total Pumped from Aquifer (Raw)	639,718,710	178,060,579

Precipitation Statistics:

Annual Rain Fall (Inches)	64.98"
Annual Snow Fall (Inches)	74.00"

Consumption Statistics:	GALLONS	CUBIC FEET	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PUMPED
Municipal Use	9,495,651	1,269,472	1.3
Residential Use	420,148,892	56,169,638	57.2
Commercial Use	36,580,401	4,890,428	5.0
Industrial Use	204,899,857	27,393,029	27.9
Annual Water Main Flushing	6,174,935	825,526	0.8
Miscellaneous Hydrant Use	565,845	75,648	0.1
Total Accounted For Pumped	677,865,581	90,623,741	92.4
Unaccounted for Use	56,070,764	7,496,091	7.6

*The difference between accounted for and unaccounted for water consists of water lost to main and service breaks, fighting fires, street sweeping and theft.

Water Distribution:

The following new water mains were constructed in 2008:

In-House Water Main Improvements:	Length	Size	Hydrants
Hanover Street	330'	6"	2
Laurel Avenue	500'	6"	1
Mackey Road	330'	8"	1
Mackey Road	20'	6"	
Olive Street	150'	6"	1
Verdun Road	400'	8"	1
Woodland Drive	90'	8"	

Water Mains Installed by Private Contractors:

Argonne Road	300'	2" to 8"	1

Total water mains installed in 2008 were 1,000 feet of 6-inch and 1,120 feet of 8-inch. There were 7 fire hydrants and 35 services installed in the system.

Sewer Collection System:

Sewer:

In 2008, the department continued to maintain and clean sewer lines as needed and or necessary due to known trouble areas. Leaks, blockages and structural deficiencies are corrected as soon as possible when a problem is discovered.

The department, in conjunction with the DPW, purchased a Vactor Truck that will enable both wastewater and stormwater systems to be more efficiently and cost effectively maintained.

The portion of the 36-inch interceptor is the last remaining piece of the waste water system that needs to be rehabilitated. The department is moving forward to correct this section of the Town's sewer system if funds are approved at the May 2009 Town Meeting. The engineering and design has been completed and a contractor has been selected through the Massachusetts bidding process.

The Industrial Way Pump Station's electrical system was rehabilitated this year. A new panel which includes back-up power provisions and alarms to notify the appropriate personnel if a problem occurs at the station were installed. A portable generator was purchased to provide the back-up power if a prolonged power outage was to take place.

There were 14 service connections made to the sewer system.

HUMAN SERVICES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Library

2008 was one the busiest years on record for Wilmington Memorial Library. Circulation increased by 15% over last year. Computer workstations and study tables were often full in mid afternoon, especially with students and job hunters. The increase in library use during these tough times has confirmed the historic trend that more people use the resources of a public library in a down economy. The increased usage at the Wilmington Memorial Library may also be attributable to the ambitious library makeover that has been underway for the past two years. Although most libraries in the Merrimack Valley Library Consortium saw an increase in their circulation, Wilmington was among the top five libraries with the largest increase in circulation from July to November.

Many visitors continue to comment on the library's new look with features that make it more comfortable and inviting. Visible library improvements made in 2008 include a new parking lot, lighting and ceiling on the first floor. Thanks to the Department of Public Works for getting the parking lot looking spiffy and to the Public Buildings Department for the new ceiling and lighting. The Friends of the Library purchased a handsome new sign for the front of the library that proudly announces to all passers-by that this building is Wilmington's public library. The new sign for the Book Store Next Door coordinates nicely with the library sign and is bringing in new customers.

This past year library staff did the planning for the final phase of the interior makeover, including the design of a new circulation desk in the children's room, funded by the Friends of the Library 2007 annual appeal. Installation of the new desk plus some new shelving and furniture is scheduled to be completed by spring 2009. The changes on the first floor of the library involved relocating staff offices for better efficiency and public service. The addition of a new display unit allowed for more

face-out shelving of new books for a better browsing experience. With the support from the Friends of the Library 2008 annual appeal, we hope to complete the library makeover with custom signage to help users navigate independently throughout the library and new end panels to provide more face-out display shelving.

Jolly Rogues present colonial music and song.

The library's program offerings in 2008 showed a 23% increase in attendance. The addition of the new online program registration software and marketing techniques to promote library programs proved to be effective. Well received programs for the adult audience during the winter included a program on identity theft and a workshop on nested doll painting. Tim Riley, author of "Tell Me Why: A Beatles Commentary," presented a program about the Beatles in February, and Ty Burr, the Boston Globe film critic, came to the library in March. The Jolly Rogues presented a lively program of colonial music in April. Dorthea Benton Frank, New York Times bestselling author of books set in South Carolina's Low Country, was the guest speaker at the Wilmington Middle School on Tuesday, May 6th. This event was sponsored jointly by the Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library and the Wilmington Education Foundation. A program about using eBay filled the library's meeting room to capacity in May. Mel Simons returned to Wilmington to present his program on Jack Benny to his many Wilmington fans. Fall programming kicked off with the "Desperate Household" series followed by two popular digital camera programs and a series on financial planning. On Saturday, October 25th, the Friends of the Library hosted the Apple Festival featuring a fun filled day of activities to commemorate the historic Baldwin Apple. Activities included an "Apple Bake Off" contest, apple trivia, music, apple cider pressing, a puppet show featuring the story of the Baldwin Apple and an exhibit of the Butters Farm restoration project.

Apple Dessert Bake-Off Judges Terri Marciello, Lou Cimaglia and Mike Newhouse with winners Rosie Wallent and Nancy Hurley.

The annual summer reading program proved to be a big draw for all ages. Over 680 children signed up for *Play It* and over 140 teens have signed up for *Create It Yourself.* Thanks to a donation of $4,000 from the Friends of the Library for the 2008 summer reading program, the library was able to offer a variety of special programs including live theater, such as *Beauty and the Beast,* music events with performers like the popular Bernadette Baird and educational and fun events, such as Mike the Boston Bubble Guy. Over 100 readers participated in the Adult Summer Reading Program reading 641 books. Weekly winners received a Friends of the Library tote bag and a "Buy One, Get One Free" coupon to the Friends' Book Store Next Door. At the end of the summer, the grand prize winner received an MP3 player purchased by the Friends of the Library.

In light of the special visit of the Vietnam Moving Wall to Wilmington in September, the *Wilmington Reads* committee selected *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien as its choice for 2009. *Wilmington Reads* is a community wide reading program where residents are invited to read the same book and attend a program or discussion event about the book. Participants will begin reading the book in January 2009 with programs following in March.

School Superintendent Joanne Benton (L) and School Committee Chairman Margaret Kane (R) at State House ceremonies honoring Library Director Christina Stewart.

We continue to receive many nice comments from library users on the high level of customer service provided by the library staff. A "Parent Survey on Library Services for Children" conducted in October and a "Teen Services Survey" conducted in November, also included many favorable comments about our library staff. Library Director Christina Stewart received the "Unsung Heroine Award" from the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women. She was nominated for this award by Joanne Benton, Superintendent of Wilmington Public Schools, for her leadership and tenacity in transforming a worn and dated facility into a welcoming user-friendly place after the defeat of the proposal of a new library in 2005. We welcomed two new librarians to the library staff. Katie Huffman assumed the position of Reference and Adult Services Librarian in February, and Alicia Kendall assumed the position of Head of Technical Services in July. The entire library staff is acknowledged for working to make Wilmington Memorial Library one of the best in the state.

We said good-bye to Barbara Hooper, a charter member of the Friends of the Library and a member of the Board of Library Trustees. Barbara Hooper was one of the volunteers who helped launch the Friends of the Library in 1997, serving as its first Membership Chairman. She also served as Treasurer and Program Chairman. Barbara was appointed to the Board of Library Trustees in 2004. Barbara was a volunteer extraordinaire who gave many hours on a variety of projects that contributed to making the library better for the community. Her thoughtful perspective and dedication to good library service will be missed. Michael Caira, Town Manager, appointed Susanne Clarkin to the Board of Library Trustees to fill the vacancy left by Barbara Hooper. The Board of Library Trustees is acknowledged for its volunteer time and commitment to quality library service.

The Friends of the Library is once again acknowledged for its continued support, especially for the library makeover. The Friends gave a total of $26,500 to the library in 2008. In addition to funding 60 programs, the Friends also purchased the outside library sign, computer workstations in the Teen Zone, the Hot Title display unit and museum passes to Zoo New England, the Peabody Essex Museum and the Massachusetts State Parks. The Friends of the Library Book Store Next Door celebrated its first anniversary in April. Book lovers from near and far enjoy visiting the only used book store in Wilmington. Wednesday evening hours during the summer and Sunday morning hours during the fall and winter were added this year allowing time for more shoppers to visit. The steady stream of revenue from this endeavor allows the Friends to respond to the library's requests for program funding and other library improvements. Thanks to all the volunteers who make possible this great community service.

Monetary gifts to the library and memorial donations are gratefully acknowledged. The library purchased a new microfilm case with donations given in memory of George Boylen, a former library trustee. The library received a gift of $1,000 from the Moms Club of Wilmington used to purchase children's book and CD kits. Wilmington Memorial Library was selected as a recipient of the "Jeans Day" fundraiser sponsored by the Danvers Bank employees. This donation of $520 is earmarked for comfortable seating for the Children's Room.

The Moms Club of Wilmington presents a donation to the library.

In closing on a tumultuous economic and political year, we are thankful for strong municipal support and for all who advocate on behalf of public libraries. With an economy predicted to adversely impact many in 2009, the Wilmington Memorial Library will be steadfast in its mission to enrich citizens with the information and inspiration it needs not only to survive, but to prosper in the New Year.

LIBRARY STAFF

Administration:

Christina A. Stewart, Library Director
Charlotte Wood, Assistant Library Director
Gloria Corcoran, Administrative Assistant

Adult Services:

Katie Huffman, Reference and Adult Service Librarian
Linda Pavluk, Circulation Librarian
Ruth Ellen Donnelly, Adult Circulation Assistant
Laurie Lucey, Part-Time Reference Librarian
Carol MacDougall, Desiree Maguire, Maureen Walsh
Part-Time Library Assistants

Part-Time Library Pages
Nicholas Hayes, Amanda Morgan,
Derek Stemmler, David To

Children's Services:

Susan MacDonald, Children's Librarian
Barbara Michaud, Assistant Children's Librarian
Karen Whitfield, Children's Circulation Assistant
Brandy Danner, Teen Services Librarian
Barbara Bresnahan, Part-Time Library Assistant

Part-Time Library Pages
Ruth Blaisdell, Jordan Higgs
Nancy Hurley, Nicole Iosue, David Wang

Technical Services:

Alicia Kendall, Head of Technical Services
Linda Harris, Assistant Technical Services Librarian
Diane DeFrancesco, Technical Services Assistant

Gingerbread House workshop for teens.

The nested doll painting workshop at the library.

LIBRARY STATISTICS FOR 2008

Hours Open Weekly		
Winter		64
Monday through Saturday 9-5		
Monday through Thursday evenings 5-9		
Summer		56
Monday through Friday 9-5		
Monday through Thursday evenings 5-9		
Population		23,066
Number New Patrons Registered		977
Total Registered Borrowers		15,236
Number of library visits		139,732
Number of Items in Collection		75,045
Items per capita		3.25
Subscriptions		164
Museum Passes		11
Circulation		235,859
Circulation per capita		10.23
Interlibrary Loan		53,808
To other libraries	28,877	
From other libraries	24,931	
Requests Placed		36,147
Reference and Reader's Services		9,104
Internet Use		16,254
Conference Room		787
Library	366	
Community	421	
Library Programs		394
Children's Programs	274	
Teen Programs	71	
Adult Programs	49	
Total attendance at programs		9,911
Children's Programs	7,938	
Teen Programs	719	
Adult Programs	1,254	

Ellie Deaner presents Meals in Minutes.

Paul Carpenter and Hank Stewart visit the World War II exhibit.

Wilmington Arts Council

It seems impossible that another year has gone by and it's time to assess our work and progress at the Wilmington Arts Center. Along with our usual classes, concerts, art shows, rehearsals, recitals and workshops, our new and one of our favorite projects has been implemented in 2008. This is our Scholarship Program for Wilmington High School seniors going on to study music or art. In 2007, we awarded two scholarships. In 2008, the Council paid out $1,000 to Kristin Liberacki, studying Graphic Design and $1,000 to Angela Wang, studying Fine Arts. Upon completion of their first semester of school, a copy of their transcript was sent to the Arts Council and the money was then given out. In June of 2008, two more recipients were selected by the Scholarship Committee at the high school. Ashley Kealos, who is studying art and James Ham, who is studying music, are our two students who will shortly receive their help from the Arts Council. The Arts Council is thrilled that we can do this for young people starting their careers in the Arts. It is one of the most direct ways that the Council can promote the Arts!

The Arts Council's main purpose is to run the grant program for the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Each year all Massachusetts towns are given a sum of money to grant to individuals and groups to support their artistic endeavors. In the fall of 2008, the Council went over all the requests for funds and have awarded the following grants: passes to the Museum of Fine Arts and the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, available at the library; a field trip to the Museum of Science for the Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School; a workshop on pastel painting to be held at the library; two theater presentations about the life and works of Amelia Earhart and Mark Twain; musical programs for the seniors living at the two Wilmington nursing homes and two concerts one by Contempaissance, a flute and guitar duo, and another by the New England Brass Quartet.

Now for the main events of 2008! In April, the Arts Council sponsored the Celtic Band Annalivia, a local band featuring guitar, banjo, mandolin and fiddle. They entertained for two hours with a female vocalist and instrumental music. The Saturday night crowd was very appreciative with the popular Irish music and folk songs.

In June, the 28th Annual Art Show was held at the Arts Center. This is our most popular and well attended event of the year. The Friday night reception with music by our wonderful piano player, Bruce Margeson, entertained the artists, their friends and families. On Sunday, Contempaissance played classical music while the public viewed the paintings, photography and mixed media. This year, the Arts Council purchased two paintings. One is an oil painting of an old farmhouse by Ruth Mowder and the other a painting of a welcoming gate by Dorothy Carpenito. These were added to our permanent collection of art from local artists. Some of the collection is at the library right now.

Contempaissance — Flute and Guitar Holiday Concert.

Vocalists Deborah and Mary Ann Steen.

In December, the Holiday Concert was the place to be! Again, wonderful live music with the added talents of twins Mary Ann and Debbie Steen singing beautifully!

To help keep our building in good shape, a new air conditioner was donated by John Elia this summer. The town installed it and reconditioned the other two air conditioners. Also, donated this year was money for spackling and painting the main hall of the Arts Center. Hanne Castle, one of our students, donated $250 for paint and supplies. The Council has a list of volunteers, who will do the work!

Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee

Sarah Davis Jaquith was born in Wilmington in 1832 and was married to Cyrus Lewis Carter in 1874. Before her death in 1907, she made a provision in her will stating, "I give and bequeath to the Town of Wilmington the sum of six thousand dollars in trust to invest the principle sum and to expend the income in maintaining courses of programs for the benefit of the people of Wilmington."

The Sarah D. J. Carter Committee was formed in 1910. Since that time, the committee has continued to bring to the people of Wilmington interesting and entertaining programs.

Our program for 2008 was the "Accordion Warrior", Gary Sredzienski. This program, presented in May at the Wilmington Middle School, was extremely enjoyable as well as informative. In addition to playing familiar songs on several different styles of accordion, he explained how an accordion makes its sounds as well as the instrument's history. Mr. Sredzienski also told tales of artifacts he found while engaged in his daily swimming off the New England coast.

The large group who attended this very enjoyable evening were appreciative to the Sarah Carter Committee for bringing this unique act to our Town.

Our next program will be on the evening of May 21, 2009. The talented Richard Clark will be performing as "Mark Twain". As usual, this program will be presented free of charge at the Wilmington Middle School.

"Accordian Warrior" Gary Sredzienski with members of the Committee.

Historical Commission

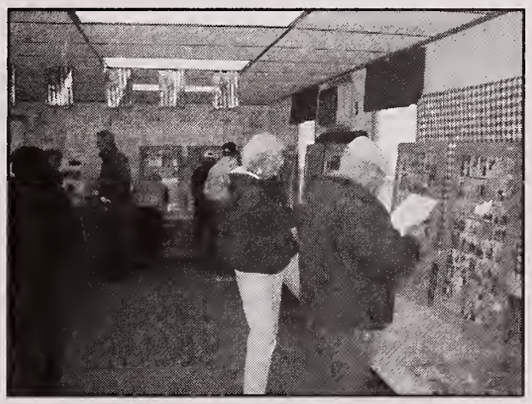
The Wilmington Historical Commission continues to strive to preserve and conserve Wilmington's historical buildings and sites and to educate our citizens of the town's rich history.

The Wilmington Historical Commission's biggest challenge in recent years is the preservation of the Butters Farmhouse. This historic landmark built c. 1682 was acquired by the Town of Wilmington in October 2006. The Historical Commission was awarded a $200,000 appropriation from the State Legislature through the efforts of Representative James Miceli. Unfortunately, due to the economic crisis, this funding was rescinded. Currently, the Historical Commission is in the process of having architectural plans drawn to preserve the building; enabling it to be a residence. It has always been the goal of the Historical Commission to see the building preserved and have a family live in this house as it has for over 300 years. The Historical Commission is seeking funding through State and Federal grants. It is hoped that we will be able to proceed with renovations during 2009.

In March, the Wilmington Historical Commission along with the Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library sponsored a program hosted by Gerry O'Reilly at the library called "Wilmington, Old Sports". At this program a sampling of Wilmington High School athletes from the 1930's to the 1960's reminisced about their experiences while participating in school sports. The Commission later printed copies of Gerry O'Reilly's book "Wilmington, Old Sports".

At the Wilmington Memorial Library "Apple Festival", the Historical Commission arranged an exhibit highlighting the Baldwin Apple and the site of its discovery; the Butters Farm.

The Historical Commission continues to support our educational institutions by donating complete sets of books printed by the Commission to the Shawsheen Elementary School, Woburn Street Elementary School, West Intermediate School, North Intermediate School, Wilmington Middle School and High School as well as to the Wilmington Memorial Library. All books printed by the Historical Commission are available for purchase at the Harnden Tavern.



On Veterans' Day, the Wilmington Historical Commission hosted a display of our military photos and artifacts in the Fourth of July building. This exhibit was very well attended. Those who viewed the exhibit expressed their sincere thanks to the Commission for having an opportunity to see these Historic Military Treasures.

The Historical Commission continues to send informative "Welcome to Historical Wilmington" packets to new residents.

Memberships in the National Trust Forum, Preservation Massachusetts, the American Association for State and Local History, the New England Museum Association, the American Museum Association and Historic New England were renewed.

The Historical Commission continues to oversee the activities at the Wilmington Town Museum at the Col. Joshua Harnden Tavern. We work closely with, and support the efforts of, Museum Curator Terry McDermott. As attendance in activities continues to grow, the Commission wishes to thank the citizens of Wilmington for their interest in the programs presented.

The Historical Commission thanks the Friends of the Harnden Tavern for their hard work and support. Although their Harvest Festival was canceled due to inclement weather, their Christmas Social was very well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all. We also thank the Wilmington Garden Club for their help on the Tavern grounds; especially their maintenance of the herb garden. We

thank the Wilmington Minutemen for their support in the activities held at the Harden Tavern. Our sincere thanks go to Nicholas Monteforte of Boy Scout Troop 56. As an Eagle Scout project he, along with his troop, constructed a stairway access to the upper level of the Harnden Tavern Carriage House.

Thank you to the town administration for all their support in the Historical Commission's endeavors. Thanks also to the Public Buildings Department and Public Works Department for all their assistance.

The Wilmington Historical Commission meets on the second Monday of the month.

Col. Joshua Harnden Tavern and Wilmington Town Museum

Wilmington's Town Museum is honored to have the support of the Town of Wilmington as we continue to "preserve and present our community's history". In the past year the Town Museum has brought to its citizens the following programs, exhibits and events:

February - The Town Museum was pleased to participate in an exhibit of World War II memorabilia at the Wilmington Memorial Library which was organized by Wilmington Veterans' Agent Louis Cimaglia. John Webster, a Veterans' Agent in Malden, was the primary exhibitor, but the Town Museum contributed items of local interest from the World War II era.

April - *Wildwood School Visits the Town Museum!*
In April, Wildwood School kindergarten students visited the Town Museum. Over a two day period, all the kindergarten students had a chance to tour the Museum where they learned about lifestyles of the past, played some old fashioned games and did crafts that included signing their own Declaration of Independence with a feather pen!

May - *Camp 40 Acres Day*
This was a repeat of a popular program from last year with Cathy Barry of Camp 40 Acres presenting information about this local day camp. Although the day was rainy and the camp representatives were not able to demonstrate outdoor activities, there were exhibits set up inside the Museum and visitors could see what type of activities are available to campers.

Also in May, Eagle Scout Nicholas Monteforte and Boy Scout Troop 56 built a stairway leading to the upper entrance to the Carriage House, a stairway that made the Carriage House more easily accessible to the public.

June - *Flag Day Exhibit*
In conjunction with the Minutemen's Flag Retirement Ceremony on Saturday, June 14, the Town Museum was open for tours, featuring a new exhibit in the Carriage House of replica flags from the colonial era. The flags are on loan to the Museum from Steve Leet, a former Wilmington resident.

July & August - *Brown Bag Lunch and Games*
On Fridays throughout the summer, guests were invited to eat lunch on the lawn of the Tavern, overlooking the Wilmington Garden Club's herb garden, followed by simple games and crafts for children. Shuttlecock (or badminton), cup and ball and the game of graces were among the old fashioned activities available to visitors on these days. As an added attraction this year, visitors were able to visit the Carriage House where they could view our agricultural tool and colonial flag exhibits.

September - *Harvest Festival* with the Friends of Harnden Tavern
The Friends' Harvest Festival is always greatly anticipated. Unfortunately, this year's event was cancelled due to torrential rainfall the weekend it was scheduled. It is hoped that the event will be back next year, better than ever!

October - *Eagle Scout Ribbon Cutting*
To celebrate the completion of the stairway to the Carriage House built by Eagle Scout Nicholas Monteforte and Boy Scout Troop 56, the Town Museum hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception for Nick and his Troop.

Minuteman Dinner
The Museum hosted the Minutemen's colonial dinner, prepared by the Minutemen for the winner of their "Dinner with the Minutemen" contest. The food was delicious and the guests enjoyed dining in the Tavern by candlelight.

November - *Veterans' Day Exhibit*
The Town Museum was delighted to be able to exhibit our collection of veteran's memorabilia at the 4th of July Building on Veterans' Day in conjunction with the Veterans' Day Ceremony on the Town Common. A popular feature of the exhibit was the George Spanos panels, ten panels which display dozens of photographs of Wilmington's World War II soldiers as collected by the popular restaurant owner, George Spanos.

December - *Annual Holiday Social* with the Friends of Harnden Tavern
Bigger and better than ever, this year's Holiday Social was a special event featuring decorations from both the Friends of Harnden Tavern and the Wilmington Garden Club, always using fresh greens and other natural materials. Delicious refreshments were provided by the Friends, Cub Scout Pack 361 sang Christmas carols, Katelyn McFeeters entertained with her harp, and the children's craft room kept young visitors entertained.

Nicholas Monteforte's Eagle Scout project was a new staircase to the Carriage House. With Nick is fellow Eagle Scout Matthew Marden.

One of the most exciting occurrences at the Town Museum this year was the construction of the new staircase to the Carriage House by Eagle Scout Nicholas Monteforte and Wilmington Boy Scout Troop 56. From early meetings with Nick to develop plans for this project, through its completion in the spring and our ribbon cutting ceremony in the fall, it was a delight to work with Nick and his troop. The bulk of the construction work was done over a weekend in May, and watching the Boy Scouts in action was truly amazing. Not only was the project completed on time and under budget, but Nick was able to make a cash donation to the Museum once the project was complete. Visitors to the Museum can now visit the Carriage House and its exhibits via an appropriately dignified and convenient entrance, for which we will always be grateful to Nick and the Boy Scouts.

Cub Scouts visit the Harnden Tavern.

Another notable occurrence at the Museum in 2008 was the receipt of a resource grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The grant, called "Connecting to Collections", is a collection of preservation books which provides information about museum and archive management. The grant is part of a nationwide initiative to raise public awareness and knowledge of preservation issues. The books are currently housed at the Town Museum and are available for members of the public to view.

Current and former residents of Wilmington continue to add to the Museum's collection of town memorabilia. The Museum was honored with donations from or about the following families: Balser, Durkee, Bodnar, Berghaus, Porter, Nielson, Fielding, Linehan, MacDonald, Smith and Millward. The Wilmington Memorial Library also donated items which were deemed more appropriately held by the Museum, including a copy of a painting of Paul Revere, ten antique chairs from the library's Bicentennial Room and various books and recordings. The Museum is always happy to accept donations which enable us to better promote knowledge of Wilmington's history. The Museum is also happy to accept loans when they are deemed more appropriate than an outright donation; Steve Leet was generous in his loan of colonial era toys and flags which have been enjoyed by dozens of visitors to the Museum in the past year.

Volunteers are an essential element of the Museum's success! Steve Berghaus and the entire Berghaus family continue to support the Museum in innumerable ways, including, but certainly not limited to, assistance with arranging exhibits. Steve also continues to collect information about the Carriage House and has created a binder of interesting facts about it which can be viewed by the public. Adele Passmore does a little bit of everything – she organizes, gardens, cleans and creates exhibits that tell the story of Wilmington as no one else can! When the Wildwood Kindergarten visited the Museum in April of 2008, it was Adele who assisted with tours. Bertha Deprez also seems to show up at the Museum whenever we need her! The stories of old time Wilmington Schools told by Kathleen Bell of the Wilmington Alumni Association and Paul Chalifour of the Wilmington Police Department were greatly enjoyed by Junior Girl Scout Troop #166 when the group visited another historic Wilmington building, the West Schoolhouse, in the spring of this year.

Not only did the Wilmington Garden Club continue with its work in maintaining the Museum's herb garden and other garden spots around the yard of the Tavern, but they did a spectacular job assisting the Friends of Harnden Tavern with preparations for the Holiday Social in December. Their decoration in the front hall and parlor of the Tavern were a perfect compliment to the work done by the Friends throughout the rest of the building.

The Wilmington Company of Minutemen is always interested in and supportive of the Museum and its events. Their flag retirement ceremony on the grounds of the Museum was a valuable lesson in patriotism. They lend color to Museum events and Open House days when they appear in uniform and illustrate lifestyles of long ago. When the Museum asks for assistance, someone from the Minutemen is always available to oblige.

The Friends of Harnden Tavern continue to provide support and programs for the Museum, as well as an inventory of antique furniture that gives the Harnden Tavern its distinct character. This year's Holiday Social, presented by the Friends, was the best attended in recent memory. Although their popular Harvest Festival was cancelled due to inclement weather, we look forward to the event's return in the not too distant future! The Friends can always be counted on to provide the support that keeps the Museum a valued part of our community.

The Town Museum remains grateful for the continuing support from Town departments that keep the Museum operational and open to the public. The DPW, the Public Buildings Department, and Wilmington's Senior Center, all provide services to the Museum at one time or another. The Museum is also privileged to be able to work with the Wilmington Memorial Library, the Wilmington Recreation Department and the Wilmington Public School system, as needed. This year the Museum was pleased to be able to work with Veterans' Agent Louis Cimaglia on traveling exhibits of interest to Wilmington's Veterans. The continuing support of the Town Manager's office is always greatly appreciated.

When naming those who support the Museum, the Wilmington Historical Commission should not go unmentioned. It was the work of the Wilmington Historical Commission to create the Town Museum ten years ago, and it is to the Commission's vision, and the vision of Commission Chair, Carolyn Harris, that the Museum owes its successful existence.

The Wilmington Town Museum at the Harnden Tavern is always looking for new stories to tell, new items to exhibit. What do you know about Wilmington's past? Do you have an artifact you would like to share with the public? Call the Town Museum! It is there to serve you, the citizens of Wilmington.

In 2008 more people than ever visited the Museum! Almost 800 guests, including seven Scout troops, visited the Museum throughout the year.

Winter Hours	Tuesday & Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. First Sunday of month, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Fourth Wednesday of month, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Community Use	
Historical Commission	Monthly meetings, programs
Friends of Harnden Tavern	Monthly meetings, programs
Garden Club	Holiday Party in December
Council of Minutemen	Bi-Monthly Meetings
Senior Center	Senior Citizen Tax Work-Off Program
Public Schools	Kindergarten Tour, student research and enrichment
Single Visit	Various Scout Troops, Camp 40 Acres, Association of Personal Historians
Traveling Exhibits	Contributed to World War II Exhibit at Library presented by the office of Wilmington's Veterans' Agent.
	Contributed to Wilmington Memorial Library's Apple Festival
	Veterans' Day exhibit at 4th of July Building

Recreation Department

The Recreation Department's continuing goal is to offer high quality, relevant programs and services to the residents of Wilmington. The Recreation Department aims to provide solutions to new challenges faced by residents in evolving life situations. New residents can meet others, parents can find a wide variety of reasonably priced programs for their children to sample, "empty nesters" might take a class or enjoy theater or sporting event tickets and residents of all ages continue to reap the benefits of group travel and assorted fitness programs. The Recreation Department has been in full-time operation for 38 years. The department is located in Room 8 at the Town Hall. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Recreation Commission, formed in 1953, acts in an advisory and policy making capacity. Volunteer members are: C. Michael Burns, Chairman; Sheila M. Burke, Vice-Chairman; Maribeth Crupi, Secretary; Charles Biondo and Mark Kennedy. Commissioners are active in various groups, committees and clubs throughout town.

The Recreation Office staff remains small, with only two full-time employees (director and senior clerk) and one part-time office assistant. In addition, there are over 110 part-time and seasonal employees and over 250 volunteers who help to run the department's programs. The department offers, on a year-round basis, an ever-changing slate of activities for residents of all ages. While the office is open Monday through Friday, recreation programs are scheduled virtually every day of the week and into the evening hours.

A primary objective of the Recreation Department is to offer a wide variety of quality programs that are as affordable as possible. Registration fees remain low, especially in comparison to other towns or organizations. The department is funded by a variety of sources. The town appropriated budget provides for a full-time director and clerk as well as some limited supplies and staff training costs. Program fees fund the position of the office assistant. A combination of program fees and donations heavily supplement the town-funded budget. We strive to keep fees and costs low by utilizing cost-saving methods including the bid process, fund-raising and in-kind services. We continue to search for innovative ways to generate funds to offset costs for the recreation consumer.

Volunteers are critical to the success of Recreation programs. Volunteers might find themselves spreading out candy for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, coaching a T-Ball or Basketball team or serving Breakfast with Santa to resident children and their families. We greatly appreciate our residents who give so generously of their time and most report that they also gain on personal levels by volunteering. We receive generous donations from local businesses and organizations. Some of these valuable contributors include: Analog Devices, Anytime Fitness, Century 21 (Starwood), CVS, Danversbank, Dunkin' Donuts of 321 Main St., Dunkin' Donuts of 195 Main St., Everett Lodge IOOF (Odd Fellows), HRH Insurance, Kiwanis, Knights of Columbus, Lowell 5¢ Savings Bank, Massachusetts Fisheries and Wildlife, Ninety-Nine Restaurant & Pub, Realty Executives, Rotary Club of Wilmington, Shriners, Sons of Italy, Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks, Walgreens (Tewksbury), Wilmington Arts Council, Wilmington Fire Department, Wilmington 4th of July Committee, Wilmington Police Department and the Wonder Years Learning Center.

The Recreation Department continues to increase and improve our program offerings to meet the ever-increasing demands for classes, activities, entertainment and travel experiences. We actively solicit suggestions for future offerings and encourage our talented residents to consider teaching a class. The department strives to meet the increased demand for children's programs by expanding the scope and number of these programs. We offer a very successful, annual intergenerational program in conjunction with the Elderly Services Department. Our holiday and seasonal celebrations enhance the sense of community and identify Wilmington as a unique town. They include the Easter Egg Hunt, Fishing Derby, Concerts on the Common, Horribles Parade, Santa's Workshop and our own Breakfast with Santa.

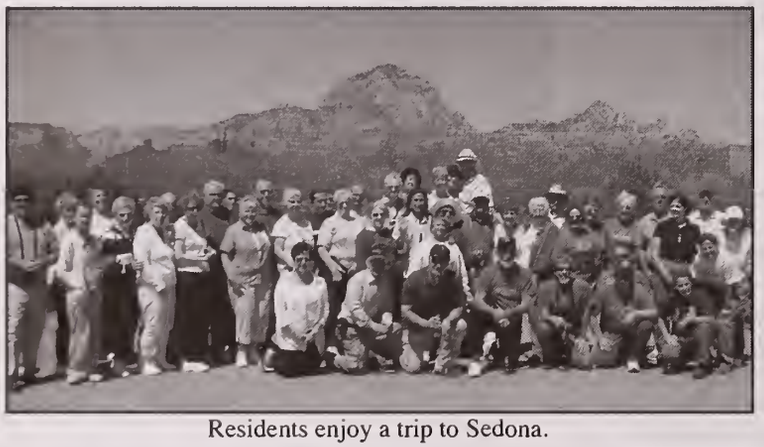
Volunteers help the Easter Bunny fill eggs.

A mainstay of the Recreation Department is our sports leagues and programs. We consistently register over one thousand children each year for Jr. and Recreation Basketball Leagues. Other recurring and tremendously popular programs include "The Rookies" T-Ball, Kinder Soccer, Aerobics and 35+ Basketball. Recognizing the benefits of physical activity, we have introduced new offerings this year that promote health and wellness including Kids in Motion, Girls Basketball Shooting Clinic, Learn to Skate - Hockey, and "The Movement in Me" for special needs children.

Summer is extremely busy for the department as we offer a multitude of programs for families and residents. The Playground and Tiny Tots programs offer summertime recreation and socialization for Wilmington children. Other offerings include an opportunity to try something there is no time for during the school year. Some examples from this past summer include two basketball leagues that play outdoors under the lights in the evening, summer theatre workshops, sailing and kayaking lessons on the Charles River in Boston, golf and tennis lessons and several sports clinics. We offered a variety of trips in the summer including a day trip to Boston to ride the Duck Boats and tour Fenway Park, a day trip to Block Island, a "Casino Escape" overnight trip to the Connecticut Casinos, a weekend trip to follow "our Red Sox" on the road to Toronto and a weeklong trip to tour Chicago and Mackinac Island. In addition, the Recreation Department is responsible for the oversight of the Silver Lake Beaches. The newly created Healthy Wilmington Coalition, as well as our support of the new Wilmington Walks program, will further expand possible outdoor recreational options for residents.

We continue to offer movie and event tickets at reduced rates, and we are sometimes able to secure tickets to "difficult to come by" events such as the Red Sox, Lowell Spinners, Bruins, Celtics and Disney on Ice productions. We offer tickets to local theater productions for shows ranging from "42nd Street" at the North Shore Music Theatre to "Legally Blonde" and "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas" at the Opera House in Boston. Many residents turn to our quarterly flyer when making decisions for their entertainment options. We offer great gift possibilities including discounted movie tickets and gift certificates that may be redeemed for any of our programs or trips. Increasing numbers of residents are choosing to give the gift of travel and recreation programs, which provide enhanced life experiences for their family and friends.

Our trips continue to grow in popularity as residents enjoy round trip transportation to and from Wilmington, reasonable prices and the ease of having a pre-planned itinerary. Perennial favorite day trips include New York City in May and December, monthly trips to Foxwoods Casino and our annual visit to Yankee Candle and Bright Nights in the Springfield area during the holiday season. New trips that were thoroughly enjoyed included a gourmet luncheon at the Johnson and Wales Inn with a comedy show, the Springfield Tattoo to see the Royal Highland Regiment of Canada in action and a delicious, "chocolate-y" tour of Boston on the Old Towne Trolley. During the summer the children enrolled in the Playground and Tiny Tots programs could participate in many age appropriate field trip excursions. We offer frequent theatre trips so that residents can easily purchase tickets to current offerings in Boston that include bus transportation, thus avoiding both parking and traffic hassles. In 2008 our overnight trips included: an Eastern Caribbean Cruise, Sedona, Arizona, Red Sox Road Trips to Baltimore and Toronto, Casino Escape to the Connecticut Casinos, Chicago and Mackinac Island and Atlantic City.



Residents enjoy a trip to Sedona.

In an attempt to be as accommodating as possible, most Recreation programs can be registered for by mail or by drop-off in the Town Hall night slot. Our newsletter and many required registration forms are available online through the Town website, by accessing Human Services, Recreation, then Newsletter. The Recreation Department is joining the efforts of many other town departments in an effort to be "more green". We will no longer distribute printed copies of our quarterly flyer through the schools, but we will continue to provide flyers in Town Hall, Wilmington Memorial Library and

the Buzzell Senior Center. We hold special registrations outside of regular office hours for our most popular programs (Tiny Tots and Red Sox Ticket Sales). One of the most common requirements of the Recreation staff is to act as an information source. We answer a wide variety and large number of questions daily about local and regional services.

Wilmington is a suburban community, considered a "well located town", with easy access to major roads, parks and beaches, sporting events, theatre, arts and museums. Today's recreation consumer is searching for opportunities to access all of these area attractions, as well as local activities. The Recreation Department allows people to choose a new sport or science club, learn a new skill, socialize with fellow residents and enjoy recreation at a convenient location and at a reasonable price. These dynamics stress the importance of town support for the Recreation Department. The positive feedback and generous donations we receive are evidence of the appreciation of local residents and businesses for the Recreation Department. We are an ever-changing environment and a solution to the continual changing needs of our residents. The Recreation Department's ability to adapt and our commitment to provide quality service is a trademark that we stand by.

Creative Play, a popular interactive program for

arts, crafts, stories and music.

One of the Recreation Department's newest offerings is

children 2 and 3 years old. Activities include

Elderly Services

An overall increase of 1.4% in the general Massachusetts population occurred between 2000 and 2006. The fastest growing age group was the 85 and over group, which increased in size by over 17% in Massachusetts and about 25% in the United States as a whole in 2006. The older population for the Town of Wilmington has grown 12% since 2006 and 27% since the 2000 federal census. Today there are 3,982 elderly residents ages 60 years and older, of these, there are 9 residents who are 100 years and older. Four 100th birthdays were celebrated in 2008 at the Buzzell Senior Center.

Wilmington Department of Elderly Services seeks to maintain the highest quality of services and programs for its elderly residents by providing: Information and Referral Services, Care Planning and Management Services, Health and Wellness Services, Transportation Services, Educational Programs, Counseling and Family Support Services, Financial and Health Insurance Counseling, Medical Advocacy, Volunteer Opportunities and SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders).

The year 2008 was very good to the Wilmington Department of Elderly Services. Community organizations, Wilmington High School students and the Wilmington "CARES" program provided enormous volunteer support. Lahey Clinic Community Benefits Committee and Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs have been extremely supportive in their grant monies that have further enhanced and strengthened the wellness programs provided at the Buzzell Senior Center.

In 2008, the Department was very fortunate to be the recipient of $15,000 from the Lahey Clinic Community Benefits Grant for a fourth year. We were able to provide:

- T'ai Chi Classes – (2) 8-week sessions – Evening classes from March to June
- Country Line-Dancing (4) 8-week classes
- Low Impact Aerobics Class – 52 weeks taught by a Certified Aerobics Instructor
- Yoga Classes – (3) 8-week sessions
- Total Control: A Pelvic Wellness National Researched Program for Women in collaboration with YMCA (2) 7-week sessions – 2 times a week
- "Chronic Disease Self-Management Program" (2) intense 6-week sessions - A Nationally Researched Program of self support for a better understanding of living with a chronic disease.
- CATZ Adult Fitness: Where the Athlete's Train – (2) 16 sessions of training (8-weeks 2 times a week)

Adult Fitness programs funded by Lahey Clinic.

The response to all of the programs has been overwhelming and has proven to be a great endeavor for the Department.

There were over 16,500 elderly visitors this year who participated at the Buzzell Senior Center in programs such as: socializing, exercise classes, dance classes, ceramic classes, nutrition classes, computer classes, arts & crafts, sing-a-long group, widow's friendship group, quilting group, T'ai Chi classes, walking group in collaboration with Harold Parker State Park and Candlepin bowling in North Reading. Over 90% of these classes are lead by volunteers; they are dedicated elders who graciously give their time and energy.

The funds that the Department receives from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs supports a part-time (20 hours a week) Outreach Worker, part-time (10 hours a week) Clerk and a part-time (10 hours a week) Program Coordinator. The monies also support the mailing and printing of our monthly newsletter, the "Buzzell Buzz". This comprehensive and entertaining newsletter is celebrating its 5th year and is written and edited by a wonderful group of volunteers. Without their time and dedication this newsletter would not be possible. The newsletter can be found at the Buzzell Senior Center, the Town Manager's Office and the Wilmington Memorial Library. The "Buzzell Buzz" not only provides information about activities and great photos of the Buzzell Senior Center but also assistance programs. Many include: prescription programs, Senior Tax Work-Off program, Fuel Assistance program, food stamps, Medicaid applications, RIDE applications and other types of services that are available to the elders in the community.

The Town of Wilmington provides many daily services through the Department of Elderly Services. A free service that is rarely found in the surrounding Massachusetts area is transportation to all the Wilmington elderly residents 60 years and over. This transportation is provided within a 13-mile radius of Wilmington. We have a full-time van driver to meet these transportation needs. We are fortunate to have a van that is equipped to handle a wheelchair along with its passengers. Transportation of elders includes, but is not limited to, their medical appointments, shopping and to the Senior Center. The van continues to be a vital service to the elders of Wilmington. There were over 20,000 miles traveled to accommodate the elders this year. A full-time respite care worker further complements this service. She also provided necessary transportation to medical appointments. With individualized attention given to the elder for the doctor's appointment, making sure the elder remains safe and able to communicate with family regarding vital information. She traveled 11,258 miles for the year 2008 and made 299 home visits. This service is specifically for elders who are unable to be alone due to severe health conditions (cancer treatment, dialysis and dementia), hearing loss and/or overall weakness. There has been an increase in the amount of elders that need on-going transportation, due to critical health issues. The respite care worker also provides home visits to elders that are isolated and need regular "check-ins" to make sure they are stable. This position is a vital role for the community.

The Department of Elderly Services continues to provide our home delivered meals program. This program provides the homebound elders of Wilmington with one hot meal five days a week, for the minimal cost of one dollar a meal. There are approximately 70-80 meals delivered daily, Monday through Friday, to the elders of Wilmington. Elders not only rely on these meals, but also the daily contact. The drivers are responsible to come to the Senior Center after their deliveries to give an update on the elders they visit. The elders and their families are assured that if there should be a problem during the time of the delivery, the elder will be assisted and the families will be notified. Overall, the home delivered meals program is a crucial part of the Department's services. A total of 16,511 meals were served to the elders in our community.

One of our continuing specialty programs is the "Medical Equipment Lending Program," another service that has increased in demand, where elders and their families can borrow equipment in order to stay at home safely and assist in curbing the cost of such equipment. We offer wheelchairs, walkers, canes, bath chairs, benches and commodes. During the year 2008 we continued to receive calls from elders, their family members and from the local Visiting Nurses' Association that visits Wilmington residents. This year we were fortunate to offer two electric wheelchairs, scooters and electric recliners as part of this lending program.

For the year 2008, the need for social service was on the rise: fuel assistance, health insurance issues, Medicare Part D program, filing property tax abatements and deferrals, prescription costs (prescription advantage program), protective service issues and servicing the age bracket of 50-59 that so often fall through the cracks with the government for any form of social service assistance. With this growing need, the Department continues to find themselves on the frontline of providing services and referrals. This, in turn, increased the amount of home visits by the Director, outreach worker and respite care worker in order to meet the needs of the most critical cases. Another way

the Department did further outreach was with our telephone reassurance program. With the assistance of our part-time outreach worker, she was able to make weekly calls (591 calls this year) to our most critical homebound elders and home visits when needed. This type of communication not only keeps the Department connected in cases of emergencies but develops a bond of trust between worker and elder.

The Department collaborates closely with Town Nurse, Judy Baggs, who visits the Senior Center weekly to provide blood pressure clinics, diabetic screenings and monthly cholesterol screenings. Judy is able to make home visits to elders unable to make it to the Senior Center due to health ailments. There were over 375 flu shots given for 2008. In 2009, she will be hosting weekly health sessions to address elder's health concerns and medical needs.

Other monthly services include Podiatrist, SHINE coordinator, Marilyn Penney and Charlotte Stewart, Shear Pleasure (hair stylists) and Attorney Nancy Hogan who offers free monthly consultations to seniors in need. Annually, volunteer accountants from VITA, beginning the first week of February through the first week of April, assist Wilmington elders with their taxes at the Wilmington Town Hall Auditorium. For 2008, there were 165 elders served through this program. Several of them were able to receive additional monies due to the "Circuit Breaker" tax break. In fact, there were several elders that had been unaware of this tax break and were able to receive funds retroactively for the years they missed.

Members of the Rotary Interact Club organized a yard cleaning project.

We are happy to mention that the collaboration with the Wilmington Public Schools continues to thrive. One Wilmington High School student organization that has participated at the center is the Rotary Interact Club students. Over 30 students from this organization assisted in making our "Valentines Day Celebration" an outstanding success. They served the elders a "Harrow's Pot Pie" lunch and fresh homemade desserts. In November, over 85 students from this group organized and raked the yards of 12 elderly residents. The elders were extremely appreciative for a much needed service. Other Wilmington High School groups are the Medical Careers Club and Wilmington's Helping Services Club who continue to be involved at the Buzzell Senior Center. In May, we held our 2nd annual "Spring Fling" dance with co-sponsorship from the Kiwanis Club. We served a delicious dinner, prom pictures and dancing. The evening was a true success. This year we were also surprised by several graduate students coming back to visit everyone. October was our 3rd annual Game Day, in which 35 students participated in board games, card games and country line dancing. In November, the students were of great assistance in our annual Flu Shot program, servicing over 350 elders. Another wonderful intergenerational program took place when the Wilmington Recreation Department and the Department of Elderly Services teamed up for the 4th annual "Summer Magic" celebration of the young and old. In July, we visited the Super Scientific Circus at the North Shore Music Theater followed by an "all you can eat" lunch of pizza and soda at Prince Pizzeria in Saugus, MA. It was a great opportunity to show the children that the Buzzell Senior Center is a fun place to visit. It also gave the elders the opportunity to show their grandchildren where they like to meet their friends and have great activities.

This summer we started a "Quilting Through the Years" class, through their imagination, the generations worked on making an intergenerational quilt by holding "hands." They took a copy of their hands and then decorated their hands joined together. This program was held at the North

Intermediate School, a 3-week one-hour session to work together with 10 students from the summer "CARES" program and 10 participants from the center. We thank Jane Hill for being an outstanding instructor and for making this program such a success.

We were also very happy to announce that with the dedicated assistance of volunteer Pat Lyons, RN, BSN, CRN the Department of Elderly Services received an additional grant from Northwest Suburban Community Health Alliance for "Diabetes Management and More Part II." The goals are to have elders be able to self manage their diabetes through education, to improve self-monitoring skills, knowledge of self efficacy along with coping skills. A Certified Diabetes Educator and Nutritionist, Elvira Johnson, MS RD, CDE, and LDN Neighborhood Diabetes and Social Worker, Dr. Pat Kenney of Wilmington Family Counseling, provide the education to achieve positive health-related outcomes through behavioral changes. We are also very fortunate to have Ann Fitzgerald as our consultant. This group of 25 participants met twice a month for 12-sessions which was completed in June 2008.

The Department was very excited to announce a sequel program titled "Eat Better and Move More Part II" which integrated nutritional education, physical activities and socialization. This nationally researched 12-session nutrition and fitness program was designed by the National Resource Center of Nutrition, to encourage older adults to make healthy choices as part of a daily routine. This free program was made possible by a generous donation through the William Nee Memorial Fund. "Eat Better and Move More Part II" was a weekly program that ran from April to June at the Buzzell Senior Center. This 12-week program allowed elders 60 years and older to participate in beginner level physical activity sessions. These sessions focused on strength, flexibility and balance and used weight and resistance bands with chair exercises. During the sessions there were nutrition mini-talks by a licensed nutritionist that ties in healthy eating habits and a fitness instructor for exercise. Every participant received a free meal at the center and a log-book to keep a nutrition and exercise journal. There were 36 participants and all felt it was a program that made a "great change" in their exercise and dietary habits.

The year 2008 was a great year for strong volunteer leadership with the Elderly Commissioners: David Landers, Chairman; Gayle Regan, Vice Chairman; Albert Lavalle, Rosemary Cross, John King, Mary Smith and Carol Hulburt. This year they have continued to work very hard in accomplishing their mission. They worked closely with the Director and assisted in meeting the needs of the elders of Wilmington.

The Department of Elderly Services was overwhelmed by the generosity for our 10th annual holiday "Giving Tree." This tree gave the community the opportunity to help elderly people in their town. The outpouring of generosity was amazing - the Methodist Church, Boy Scout Troop 56 gave gift certificates to the local grocery store for the 8th consecutive year, Wilmington families and residents. There were over 350 elders that received a gift from this event. The Department received an overwhelming amount of thank you notes that continue to come in. None of this gratitude would happen if it was not for the outpouring of giving as we see in the Town of Wilmington.

Enjoying the Elderly Service Department's Spring Fling.

The Abundant Life Church sponsored a Homebound Meal for 100 Wilmington elders in November. Over 15 church volunteers came to the senior center to pick up meals and personally deliver them to the elders. During their deliveries they watched for elders who did not have their house numbers posted on their homes or mailboxes for identification. The following weekend the volunteers went to the homes in need with the appropriate numbers. In July, (to kick off the 4th of July celebrations) the Wilmington Police Union also did a special homebound meal.

Sharin Chakioan and Paul Godzyk at the Spring Fling.

In May, the Buzzell Senior Center held a "Remember Our Veterans" luncheon. This was a great opportunity to get everyone together and share our appreciation to all American Veterans who served in making our country what it is today. Veterans' Agent, Louis Cimaglia, shared the speech he had given on Memorial Day at the Wildwood Cemetery. In November, Louis Cimaglia graciously supplied a complete Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner to many veteran elders.

The Department tries to be able to give back to the community in some small fashion. One example is our support to the Wilmington High School Scholarship Fund. On June 1, 2008, the elders presented our 10th annual scholarship to Thomas Barry. In preparation for graduation in 2009, we had two new fundraisers. In September we held our first successful "Senior Harvest Breakfast." We served 60 participants and with the success of this breakfast we hope to continue next year. In November we had our first "Wilmington Has Talent" show, Audrey Reed and David Landers produced a live variety show at the Wilmington High School Barrows Auditorium. The performances were performed by Wilmington High School students and elders through the school support of Sue Rowe, High School Nurse and Jason Luciana, High School Music and Drama Teacher. Due to the strong volunteer support we were able to raise over $1,200 for our Wilmington High School Scholarship fund for 2009. Thanks to everyone involved in making it a spectacular event.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following for their generous donations in 2008: Dunkin' Donuts on Middlesex Avenue, for their daily supply of donuts; Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks, for their Thanksgiving Dinner Dance that served 230 seniors this year; Rotary, for their monthly donations for financially strapped elders and the Rotary Interactive Group, for their Valentine's Day event for the elders at the Senior Center. The Kiwanis Club has taken a special interest in organizing some fun events with the Buzzell Senior Center; a lovely catered dinner in June for over 100 elders at the Senior Center. A special thanks to all the clubs and businesses who donated generously for raffles and give-a-ways. We would also like to extend our thanks to our 135 dedicated volunteers who were "appreciated" at the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

Thanks to the Town Manager, Michael Caira, and all town department heads for their help and ongoing assistance. Thanks to the seniors who volunteered hundreds of hours visiting elders in their homes, hospitals and nursing homes; for the volunteers who delivered holiday catered meals (100 meals in total) to the homebound; and to the instructors that volunteer faithfully every week to instruct classes and programs. Thanks to all who made it possible for our 10th year of the "Giving Tree" to be a huge success. Lastly, thanks to all who gave their precious time and money in making the annual Senior Citizen Holiday Fair a success again in 2008.

Housing Authority

The Wilmington Housing Authority, organized in 1951, operates under the provisions of Chapter 121B of Massachusetts General Laws, Section VIII, 24CFR (Code of Federal Regulations); Chapter 30B of the State Procurement Law and State and Federal Code of Ethics. A five-member Board of Commissioners, consisting of four elected and one state appointed member, oversees the Authority's policies and procedures. The Executive Director is charged with the administration of these procedures.

The Authority, originally consisting of 40 units of housing, is now providing low-income housing for 68 seniors/disabled, and a congregate unit in conjunction with CMARC of Woburn, MA, along with 13 (705) families of conventional three-bedroom housing owned by the Authority. However, more senior/disabled housing is needed. As always, the Authority gives first preference for housing to Wilmington resident veterans and Wilmington residents. The Authority also services the Federal Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program.

The Wilmington Housing Authority's tenants, in conjunction with Minuteman Home Care, receive home care and other social services in an effort to assist seniors to live independently. However, more is needed. The recent budgetary cuts to vital service positions in the home care field have a dire impact on the type and amount of services agencies such as Minuteman can provide. Adequate funding is needed, so as to maintain the quality of life in our aging state developments.

Due to the cuts in the state budget for Local Housing Authorities for the last several years, the cuts have directly impacted the Housing Authority's budget and the ability to continue to make quality improvements. Zero cap bottom line budgeting only allows agencies to make necessary improvements or emergency repairs.

The Authority this year was very fortunate to receive technical assistance and emergency capital improvement bond funding from DHCD (Department of Housing and Community Development) to replace the boilers at the Authority's 667-1 Deming Way development, replace the emergency generator engine at the Authority's 667-2 Deming Way development, upgrade the life-safety and fire alarm systems, modify the ventilation systems and extend coverage of the existing sprinkler system at the Authority's 667-2 Deming Way development, replace the existing unit and corridor doors to fire safe doors at the Authority's 667-2 development and replace a roof at the Authority's 705-1 scattered sites. The Executive Director has met with Senator Bruce E. Tarr and Representative James R. Miceli to seek much needed additional funding; so that additional modifications and much needed repairs can be made to the aging Deming Way Complex buildings. Thank you to Senator Bruce E. Tarr and Representative James R. Miceli for all their hard work, support and for their commitment to the elderly, disabled and families of Wilmington and Massachusetts.

The Wilmington Housing Authority's Executive Director and the Board of Commissioners would like to express our appreciation and thanks to the Wilmington Fire Department and Police Department for responding promptly to the many life-threatening situations that we unfortunately have. We would also like to thank and express our appreciation to Wilmington Police Officer Butch Alpers, Officer Paul Chalifour and the Wilmington Police Union for the tenants' entertainment of "Movie Night." We would also like to extend our appreciation and thanks to the Wilmington Department of Public Works for their assistance in keeping our roads clear during the inclement weather.

The Wilmington Housing Authority's Executive Director and the Board of Commissioners would also like to give a big "thank you" and express our sincere gratitude to Michael Caira, Town Manager, for his assistance and support and to all the town employees who bring a better quality of life to all our tenants.

The Wilmington Housing Authority's Executive Director and the Board of Commissioners would like to express our appreciation and thanks to Judy Baggs, Wilmington Town Nurse and the Wilmington Board of Health for providing health clinics and seminars to the tenants of the Deming Way Complex.

New flag pole dedicated at the Deming Way complex.

The Wilmington Housing Authority's Executive Director, the Board of Commissioners and the Deming Way Residents would like to express our sincere gratitude, deep appreciation and thank you to Frank Romano, owner of the Blaire House in Tewksbury, who unselfishly and so graciously donated our new flag pole and flag at the Deming Way Complex. This endeavor was a long time coming and now, thru the hard work and effort of Senator Bruce E. Tarr, Representative James R. Miceli, Wilmington Police Officer Butch Alpers, Wilmington Police Union/Wilmington Police Department and to our donor Blaire House of Tewksbury owner and Vietnam Veteran, Frank Romano, this has finally become a reality. The new flagpole allows the resident veterans and residents of Deming Way to salute and honor the American Flag and servicemen who have fought in wars and continue to fight in Iraq today, so that we can retain our freedom. As Executive Director and an American I am a strong supporter of the American Flag and Our Servicemen, so I say "God Bless the USA and our Servicemen."

The Wilmington Housing Authority's Executive Director and the Board of Commissioners would also like to thank all the organizations and groups that have so unselfishly dedicated their time, companionship and resources to the Deming Way tenants. These organizations and their members have brought tremendous joy, fun and help to the tenants of the Deming Way Complex.

I would like to express my deep and sincere appreciation and thanks to the Board of Commissioners for having me serve as the Executive Director of the Wilmington Housing Authority.

Finally, and most importantly I would like to express my deep appreciation, sincere gratitude and thanks to all the tenants at the Deming Way Complex for their respect, continued support and help in improving the quality of life here at the Deming Way Complex.

Commission on Disabilities

The Wilmington Commission on Disabilities is a commission established to address issues and concerns, as well as advocacy, for people with disabilities, their families and other concerned citizens or groups.

The Commission works collaboratively with the Massachusetts Office on Disability and in conjunction with the Northeast Independent Living Program (NILP), attending conferences and trainings when appropriate. We follow new legislation affecting the disability community, contact our legislators and make sure other proper authorities are also aware.

The Commission assists residents through information and referral for issues related to home accessibility, employment, transportation, service animals and independent living.
We continue to survey sites open to the public and assess compliance with architectural accessibility for people with physical, visual, hearing or other disabilities in accordance with the Massachusetts Architectural Access Regulations and the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

We currently have several openings on the Commission and are looking for interested people. Please contact the Town Manager's office for further information.

Veterans' Services

The Department of Veterans' Services serves as an advocate for Wilmington Veterans' and dependants. The Department advises Veterans as to the availability of services and federal, state and local benefits to which they are entitled. Under the guidance of M.G.L.Chapter 115 the Wilmington Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) administers aid to qualified veterans and their dependants. The Commonwealth reimburses the town 75% of the cost of this benefits program. The Department of Veterans' Services processes annuity payments for disabled Veterans, Gold Star parents and spouses, provides assistance in filing tax exemptions and abatements earmarked for Veterans and their spouses, assists Veterans in applying for motor vehicle benefits including Veterans license plates and processes Welcome Home bonus applications for those who have served since September 11, 2001.

The Department of Veterans' Services office has assisted many Veterans in filing service connected and non-service connected disability, aid, attendance and medical care claims and or pensions with the Veterans Administration (VA). The Department of Veterans' Services also assisted many Veterans to receive educational benefits through the GI bill to further their education.

The Department of Veterans' Services assisted with the funeral of US Marine Lance Corporal Steven M. West who died July 2 in Thailand while on active duty in the Marine Corp.

The Department of Veterans' Services and The Moving Wall Committee sponsored "The Moving Wall" a half size replica of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, DC from September 18 through September 22, 2008. Thousands of people visited Wilmington Town Common for the five days it was there. Through each of the four ceremonies thousands of residents, neighbors and Veterans paid respect and tribute to the fallen heroes listed on the wall.

The Department of Veterans' Services coordinates public events, such as the dedication of John F. Landry, Jr., monument located on Main Street at Silver Lake. PFC Landry was killed in action in Iraq on March 17, 2007. The Veterans' Monument on the Town Common was rededicated to include Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq. The Department coordinates the Veterans' Day Ceremonies and Memorial Day Parade. It is the responsibility of the Department of Veterans' Services to decorate over 1,600 graves at Wilmington's Wildwood Cemetery.

Our goal is to provide this service with the dignity these men and women have earned through their service to our nation.

Mr. and Mrs. John Landry, Sr. unveil the monument dedicated to honor the memory of their son PFC John Landry, Jr.

Board of Health

The office of the Board of Health is located in the Town Hall at 121 Glen Road in Room 5 and the Public Health Nurse's office is located off of the foyer of the Town Hall. The Board of Health consists of three members appointed by the Town Manager for staggered three-year terms. Serving on the Board in year 2008 were Elizabeth (Libby) Sabounjian, who served as the Chairman, James Ficociello, D.D.S. and Jane Williams-Vale, M.D. The Director of Public Health is Gregory Erickson, R.S., C.H.O., the Health Inspector is Shelly Newhouse, R.S., and the Public Health Nurse is Judith Baggs, R.N. The Animal Inspector is Ellen Sawyer. The secretary for the Board of Health is Kim Mytych.

The administrative duties of the office include issuing permits, reviewing plans for subdivisions, septic systems and other development proposals, issuing enforcement orders and citations, holding hearings, keeping records, attending meetings, operation of the Board of Health website and other regular administrative duties. The Board of Health meetings were generally held twice monthly, on the first and third Tuesday of each month, and usually at 5:30 p.m. Records of all meetings and other documents are kept at the office of the Board of Health.

Environmental field activities included inspection of restaurants, retail food stores, cafeterias in industrial buildings and schools, mobile food trucks, the Fourth of July activities, caterers and other temporary food stands, percolation tests and soil evaluations, subsurface sewage disposal system inspections, recreational camp inspections, semi-public pool inspections, nuisance complaint investigations, hazardous waste investigations, housing inspections, smoking and tobacco law enforcement, lake water quality sampling, Canada Geese control, beaver control and other miscellaneous investigations and activities.

The clinical component of the Board of Health is primarily the responsibility of the Public Health Nurse. Those responsibilities include communicable disease prevention and follow-up, adult and child immunization, Mantoux Skin Testing for Tuberculosis (TB), TB Case Management, health screening and prevention and educational programs.

Weekly screening and educational programs were conducted at the Buzzell Senior Center, monthly screening and educational programs at Deming Way Senior Housing, and periodic blood pressure screening for A.I.M. (Access is Mandatory for seniors living with challenges) at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

The Public Health Nurse conducted immunizations for Adolescent and Adult Hepatitis A and B, Tetanus, Pertussis, Pneumonia and Influenza in homes and in the office. Other services included Mantoux Skin Testing for TB, blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol and weight screening, administration of physician ordered medications, general health assessment and consultation and referrals to medical, mental health and social work providers.

In addition, the *Salvation Army Good Neighbor Energy Fund Program* was administered, which provides fuel and other energy assistance to income eligible residents and other services to provide assistance (basic living essentials and comfort and recreation services) to those in need.

Communicable Diseases reported in 2008 included: Cryptosporidiosis (1), Campylobacter (2), Giardia (2), Hepatitis A (1), Hepatitis B (5), Hepatitis C (10), Lyme Disease (20), Viral Meningitis (1), Pertussis (4), Streptococcal Pneumonia (4), Salmonella (3), Group B Streptococcus (2) and Latent Tuberculosis (6).

An Employee Health Fair was held on May 7th in coordination with the School Health Services Director, Doreen Crowe, R.N. Blue Cross Blue Shield provided Skin Cancer screening. Breast Cancer, Women's Health, Prostate Cancer, Men's Health, Lung Cancer and Respiratory and Cardiovascular Health were featured. Additional screenings were provided for blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar and weight.

The Public Health Nurse participated in the Wilmington Elementary School Health Fair on March 13th with blood pressure screening for students and parents and an American Heart Association Cardiac Risk Factor Analysis for parents.

A second Health and Wellness Program coordinated with Theresa Marciello, Director of Elderly Services, resulted from a Massachusetts Department of Public Health grant from the Community Health Network Area (CHNA-15), a group of 12 communities that work together to improve community health. A Diabetes Awareness program, *Wilmington Diabetes Management and Nutrition Education*, which included monthly blood sugar, blood pressure, cholesterol and weight screenings and lectures on Diabetes started in October 2007 and continued through May 2008.

Health promotion activities included various screenings, clinics, and education programs, as well as on-going activities specific to the *Healthy Wilmington Coalition* project.

Public Health Nurse, Judy Baggs, R.N., is active in the Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses, the Massachusetts Health Officers Association, the Winchester Hospital Community Benefits Initiative, the School Health and Wellness Advisory Committee and Community Health Network Area (CHNA-15).

The Health Director led the development of a Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) which is now an ongoing project. Both medical and non medical members of the community are encouraged to join and become part of a public health emergency response team whose function is to respond to emergencies such as bioterrorism, hurricanes and other such disasters. During the November flu clinic, the MRC was deployed to assist at the clinic in a simulation of an emergency dispensing site operation. During the December ice storm that effected towns to the west of Wilmington, members of our MRC responded to the need to staff emergency shelters for those who lost electrical power and home heating.

The Director served on the Executive Committee for the Region 4A Coalition, a group of 34 communities designated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH). The coalition receives grant funding for local Boards of Health for emergency planning and infrastructure improvements for emergency response activities. In 2008 the Board of Health received grants and equipment from the region for improvements and upgrades for local emergency planning. The Director also served as a member of the Board of Registration of Sanitarians for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Professional Licensure and served as a member of the Executive Board for the Massachusetts Health Officers Association.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) held its annual seminar at the Wilmington Middle School. This annual seminar is conducted for health officers in the DEP Northeast Region and is hosted each year by the Wilmington Board of Health.

The Title 5 Septic System Betterment Loan Program, which began in 1999 and continued every year thereafter, received funding again in 2005 and was reauthorized in 2008. Loans were made to homeowners, which are to be repaid to the town through the betterment process, appearing on the regular tax bill. This was made possible by a $200,000 grant from DEP and the Massachusetts Environmental Trust and will continue into 2009.

The Canada Geese Control Program has continued operations throughout the year in cooperation with the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Wildlife.

In a continuing effort to control the environmental impact of elemental mercury, residents can exchange fever thermometers containing mercury for digital thermometers at no charge at the office of the Board of Health. The office will also receive and recycle thermostats and mercury switches and any other items which contain mercury. The recycling of fluorescent light tubes containing mercury from the schools and public buildings continues and residents can continue to bring compact fluorescent lamps to the Aubuchon Hardware store located at 2261 Main Street, Tewksbury for recycling. This recycling program is supported by outside funding at no cost to the Town of Wilmington.

The annual rabies clinic for dogs and cats was held on April 5, 2008 at the Public Buildings Department on Church Street. A total of 219 animals (dogs and cats) were inoculated with the rabies vaccine by Dr. James Kim of the Wilmington Veterinary Hospital. The next rabies clinic is planned to be held on Saturday April 4, 2009.

In 2008 the *Healthy Wilmington Coalition (HWC)* implemented the grant from CHNA-15 for the clean-up, mapping, posting and promotion of three walking trails, as part of an effort to promote exercise and health. On Labor Day, a kick-off event was hosted at the Town Park trail to introduce the program to the public. An information kiosk was built at each of the three selected trail sites, Town Park, Town Hall and Rotary Park. Dr. Jane Williams-Vale continues to serve as the Coalition Chairperson. Information can be found at the HWC website at www.healthywilmingtoncoalition.org. The Healthy Wilmington Coalition meets once a month at the Town Hall and members of the community are welcome to attend and join the coalition.

With grant funds from the MDPH the Board of Health purchased two Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's) which will be available in the Town Hall and the Buzzell Senior Center. AED's can be used by trained personnel in the event of cardiac arrest.

Funds Collected:

Medicare B Reimbursement for Influenza	$ 2,119.98
Nurse's Total Fees Collected (various testing)	33.00
Transport/Haulers Permits	5,800.00
Animal Permits	1,440.00
Funeral Homes	200.00
Percolation/Soil Tests	2,100.00
Sewage Disposal Systems Permits	11,900.00
Food Establishment Permits	19,000.00
Tanning Salons	300.00
Installers Licenses	3,900.00
Subdivision Review	200.00
Photo Copies	80.40
Recreation Camps	200.00
Well Permits	2,300.00
Rabies Clinic	2,200.00
Pool Permits	300.00
Housing Inspection Certificate Fee	100.00
Ice Rink	100.00
Tobacco Sales Permits	5,000.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED:	$57,273.38

Cable TV Advisory Task Force

In January the Cable TV Advisory Task Force recommended that the Board of Selectmen renew the license to provide cable services to Comcast of Massachusetts, Inc. Negotiations with Comcast over the terms of a new license were ongoing for over a year. The cable license officially expired in March of 2007. At that time Selectmen issued a preliminary denial of the cable renewal license based upon the recommendation of the Task Force. Federal cable regulations required that Comcast continue to provide cable service to customers after the preliminary license denial. While Comcast had the opportunity to appeal the denial to the state Department of Telecommunications and Cable, discussions continued throughout 2007.

As the Task Force met in January differences still remained between the positions of the Town and Comcast. Those differences were: (1) the desire on the town's part to implement a senior discount, (2) the distance restrictions for a standard residential connection to cable, (3) the town's interest in requiring Comcast to provide a set amount of advance notice if Comcast seeks to relocate the PEG channels on the channel line-up and (4) the town's interest in requiring Comcast to pay for relocation of cable equipment to a new location for WCTV. Comcast and their predecessor cable providers in Wilmington have never offered a senior discount to Wilmington residents and they were insistent that residents have access to a discounted cable service through the basic cable rate. Ultimately, based upon discussions with cable counsel, a determination was made that in light of the prospect of success on these issues versus the likely protracted and expensive legal procedure and uncertainty of the Department of Telecommunication and Cable decision the best course would be to recommend license renewal.

On January 28, 2008 the Board of Selectmen granted a 10-year cable license renewal to Comcast of Massachusetts, Inc. The net result of the negotiations is essentially a "maintenance of effort" license. The town maintained the requirement that Comcast support the institutional network which is a closed loop communication system for town departments. Cable customers will see their franchise related costs (FRC) cut in half from 88 cents per month to 44 cents per month. This amount represents a "pass through" of costs imposed by the town on Comcast in support of the institutional network and local access television (WCTV). Comcast is required to make payments in the amount of $210,000 over the duration of the license to Wilmington Community Television (WCTV) for purchase of equipment to support coverage of town events, meetings and local programming. In addition, Comcast will continue to direct five (5) percent of their gross revenue from cable related business to WCTV on a quarterly basis to support the day-to-day operations of providing programming on Wilmington's local access channels.

Cable TV Advisory Task Force resident members A. Quincy Vale and Wayne Aruda stepped down from the Task Force once the Comcast license was renewed. The remaining Task Force members are Donna Gacek, Executive Director of WCTV, Neal Ellis, Network Manager with the Wilmington School Department and Jeffrey M. Hull, Assistant Town Manager.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

James Babineau who served as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town for 21 years retired in 2008. Effective July 1, 2008 the responsibilities of this position have been assumed by representatives from the State Division of Standards. The following inspections were conducted by the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Wilmington:

Inspections	Number Sealed
Observed and monitored oil truck deliveries	6
Tested and sealed supermarket scales	34
Tested and sealed pharmacy weights	14
Tested and sealed truck scales	3
Tested and sealed gas station meters	144
Conducted random inspections of gas stations	6
Acted on complaints	9

The Sealer of Weights and Measures maintains fairness in the marketplace.

EDUCATION

Wilmington Public Schools

Educating Wilmington's children and young people is the most intense activity in which the town engages. Each day that school is in session, teachers face students who are daunting in the diversity of their backgrounds, needs, personalities and learning styles. Notwithstanding this diversity, the teacher educates all.

Replicate sufficient teachers for more than 3,800 students; support students so they learn; support teachers so they can teach; demand a broad, modern curriculum; demand high-performance instruction; evaluate instructional quality; meet proliferating state and federal mandates; and then get the job done on a budget that contains no fat. This is your Wilmington Public School System. Be proud of it.

The district's Strategic Plan began its third year acting as the guide for the Wilmington Public Schools' improvement efforts. The strategic plan is rooted in the mission of the Wilmington Public Schools which states:

The Wilmington Public Schools will provide a student centered education which fosters critical inquiry enabling the individual to be a productive citizen, respectful of self and others, capable of adapting to a changing world and its technology.

The district's curriculum renewal model insures that the district's curriculum renewal/development process maintains a five-year cyclical schedule of evaluation, review, adjustment and implementation for each content area. During 2008 the Fine and Performing Arts, Health and Physical Education, English Language Arts, Foreign Language and Science Curriculum Review Committees are all involved in some level of renewal work. The curriculum team leaders and subject area liaisons work with teachers and the assistant superintendent reviewing new trends and issues in each subject area, developing a belief and direction philosophy, conducting needs assessments and learning about more effective methods of student assessment.

One critical task of the Curriculum Review Committee is to insure that the school district's curriculum is aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. The Frameworks are the basis of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS). It is important that Wilmington's students are thoroughly prepared to face the challenges of the MCAS. Competency requirements have been increased by the Massachusetts Board of Education. The current 11th graders at Wilmington High School will have to demonstrate MCAS competencies in English, mathematics and now science in addition to meeting Wilmington High School's requirements in order to receive a diploma.

According to Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) data and the MCAS, Wilmington students are performing well in English and mathematics. Wilmington's AYP performance ratings are very high in English and high in mathematics. MCAS data indicates consistently improving mathematics skills in grades 3 through 8 from 2006 through 2008. The percentage of Wilmington Middle School students who performed at the advanced and proficient levels during the past three years has increased each year; at grade six from 69% to 75%; at grade seven from 36% to 61%; at grade eight from 42% to 56%. During the same three year period the percentage of students performing at the advanced level increased from 25% to 40% at grade six. The grade seven students performing at the advanced level increased from 10% to 19%. The grade eight percentages of students performing at the advanced level increased from 10% to 20%.

At the district's intermediate and elementary schools similar success is apparent. At the West and North Intermediate Schools the percentage of grade four students who performed at the advanced and proficient levels during the past three years has increased from 48% to 54%. In grade five the combined percentage of students performing at the advanced and proficient levels rose from 53% to

62%. Performance data from grade three students at the Shawsheen and Woburn Street Schools over the three year period represents an increase of 56% to 67% of the students performing at the advanced or proficient levels.

Wilmington High School students continue to distinguish themselves by their MCAS performance in English and mathematics. During the past three years the percentage of 10th grade students who have performed at the advanced or proficient levels in English has increased from 86% of the students to 90% in 2008. During that same time the percentage of 10th grade English students performing at the advanced level has increased from 20% to 34%. In mathematics the average percent of 10th grade students who scored at the advanced or proficient levels is 89% during the three years. During the past three years, an average of 63% of the 10th graders has performed at the advanced level in mathematics.

The professional growth of Wilmington's instructional staff is critical to accomplishing the school district's goals. The purpose of the school district's professional development planning is to provide a structured, supportive and collaborative environment that promotes professional learning to enhance the quality of instruction and enrich student learning. Research indicates that student growth and development is directly connected to teachers' learning and growth. As a result of Superintendent Benton declaring this year as *The Year of Technology Integration,* much of the district's professional development offerings were related to enhancing teacher instruction and enriching student learning by integrating information technologies. In the early fall, Dr. Alan November, an international leader in education technology, addressed all Wilmington staff. He challenged the Wilmington staff to consider different ways to improve teaching and learning via technology and creative and intelligent uses of the Internet. On November 4 the district's staff was enrolled in all day technology integration workshops. Nearly 100% of the workshop leaders were Wilmington teachers. This is a desirable characteristic of a culture of continuous learning; teachers teaching teachers.

The district recognizes the financial strain that everyone is experiencing and therefore has increased its efforts to secure grant funds. This year a total of $1,393,105.00 was received in grant funds compared to $1,247,923.00 the previous year.

Two non-profit organizations, the Wilmington School Business Partnership and the Wilmington Education Foundation, pursue and distribute funds from private sources to supplement the Town's funding of its public schools. Funds raised by both these organizations help to provide the school children with tools needed to learn more effectively and the teachers with resources that enhance their instruction.

The district's Strategic Plan and the School Improvement Plan will continue to evolve in response to changing conditions and new data. However, the commitment to relentlessly improving learning environments where all students succeed will continue. As Superintendent Benton regularly reminds her staff "we can make a difference in the lives of all the students in the Wilmington Public Schools."

WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Wilmington High School continues to make forward progress. The Business Department has been redesigned and we are offering many different elective courses to our students. We have also incorporated Virtual High School (VHS) into the curriculum. VHS is an online program that allows our students to take over 300 courses with students around the world via home, school or library computers. Many students have chosen courses they would not be able to take at Wilmington High School including, Zoology and Irish Literature. We look forward to the expansion of VHS as a great global connection for our students.

The 2008-09 school year marks the start of the accreditation process for Wilmington High School. This ten year process helps us to identify our strengths and weaknesses and to develop a plan of action for the future. Our teachers and administrators have been grouped by the seven standards and have started to write the required reports. Each of the reports will be reviewed by the entire staff and voted for acceptance into the final report. In March of 2010, a team of fifteen educators

from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges will visit our school for four days to examine our reports and compare the results to their own findings. They will interview teachers, students, parents and community people so they can gather information that will be used to decide if we continue to hold accreditation. We look forward to the visit!

This year, we have one member of our faculty retiring, Ms. Gayle Masse. Her service and commitment to the students of Wilmington spans many years and will be very difficult to duplicate. We wish Ms. Masse well!

Business Department

The Wilmington High School Business Department has been redesigned and restructured as we continue to educate our students to meet the challenges of our highly technological society in business, industry and post-secondary education.

Wilmington High School graduates, through the varied business and technology classes, will learn to apply technologies to conduct research, enhance productivity, create and communicate via written, visual and multimedia presentations.

New courses offered during the 2008-2009 school year include: Accounting, Business and Personal Law, Computer Applications, Desktop/Web Publishing, Entrepreneurship, Financial Literacy, Introduction to Business, Marketing Management and a School to Careers Internship Program.

All of the business classes at Wilmington High School offer a challenging curriculum that fosters critical thought providing opportunities for problem solving and course mastery. The DECA Club, an association of marketing students, enhances the co–curricular education of students with interest in marketing, management and entrepreneurship. Students enrolled in approved business courses may become members of the DECA Club. DECA's objective is to support the development of marketing and management skills in career areas such as hospitality, finance, sales and service, business administration and entrepreneurship. Programs and activities are tailored to the specific career interest of students and include technical skills, basic scholastic and communication skills, human relations and employability skills and a strong emphasis on economics and free enterprise. The DECA Club and related courses help students to develop skills and competence for marketing careers, to build self–esteem, to experience leadership and to practice community service. DECA is committed to the advocacy of marketing education and the growth of business/education partnerships.

In 2008, twenty-five members of the Wilmington DECA Chapter entered competitions at the District and State level and five students qualified for the International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia in April. Wilmington is back on the map with DECA.

The Business Department will begin the first year of curriculum renewal in the 2009-2010 school year. The focus will be on curriculum, instruction and assessment of the current business offerings as well as student needs. The business department will foster and design challenging curriculum with continued emphasis on curriculum, instruction and assessment. We will continue to align all business course curriculums to the Mission Statement of Wilmington High School. It is the goal of Wilmington High School to provide a student-centered education that promotes academic, personal and social growth and achievement for all learners.

English Department

The Wilmington Public Schools 6-12 English Department believes we can stimulate our students by providing them with opportunities to read and analyze diverse literature and to use language creatively and powerfully when writing and speaking. With an emphasis on helping students develop strengths as critical thinkers and effective communicators and providing a strong foundation of reading and writing skills, the 6-12 English curriculum will prepare students to meet their next level of challenges.

The 2008-2009 school year is the department's second year of curriculum renewal. The renewal committee is comprised of 6-12 English Curriculum Team Leader Lisa Lucia, high school English teachers Lisa Bellavia, Catherine Daley, Claire Hitschler, Maura Lynch and Mia Parviainen and middle school English teacher Michael Mahoney. The committee is committed to the study and evaluation of the following: assessing the department's formally stated needs, adopting the department generated beliefs and direction statement, developing content standards to coincide with state frameworks and curriculum maps, beginning staff development, writing curriculum guides, continuing field testing, aligning the department's curriculum with year three of the system's Strategic Plan and at the high school, aligning the curriculum with the mission and expectations of the school.

These aforementioned areas will be studied and evaluated with forward thinking in mind for instructional material review, implementation and evaluation in years 3, 4 and 5, respectively of the Protocol for Curriculum Renewal and Management.

The following contributions of the English Department members make a strong impact on curriculum renewal and other curriculum efforts; as a result, instruction and assessment are improving student learning.

We welcome Ms. Lisa Bellavia, Ms. Marissa Bortone and Ms. Mia Parviainen as Wilmington High School English teachers. Ms. Lisa Bellavia & Ms. Mia Parviainen advise the high school's literary magazine, *Expressions*. Ms. Parviainen recently had an award winning article entitled "The Experiences of Women in Computer Science: The Importance of Awareness and Communication" published in a scholarly magazine. Mrs. Claire Hitschler organizes the Literature for the English and Social Studies Classroom workshop. This year's focus is Cultural and Historical literary pieces. Mrs. Hitschler, along with Mrs. Lucia, also led a workshop on Teaching and Assessing Writing for middle and high school English, History and Special Education teachers.

Veteran AP English teacher Mr. Joe Kleponis is a published poet with a specialty in Haiku and Tanka.

Ms. Catherine Daley attended The Best New Young Adult Books 2009 Workshop. Mr. John Lewis wrote "On the Road" as an English elective. Students who participate in this course engage in additional texts and culture not covered in required English courses. This class will benefit the students academically, socially and civilly by allowing them to develop into cultured individuals with knowledge of historical, local and global issues through literature.

Ms. Maureen Dolan wrote "Film Studies" as a year-long English elective in which students achieve academic, personal and social growth by strengthening their visual literacy skills through an in-depth study of film. This course combines a historical survey of American motion pictures with a study of genres and themes.

Mrs. Lucia co-wrote "Facing History and Ourselves," an inter-disciplinary semester elective course, with Mrs. Maura Tucker of the History Department. This course explores the emergence, evolution and underlying causes of genocide and crimes against humanity in the 20th and 21st centuries.

In addition to the ones mentioned, the high school's English Department also offers the following electives: Creative Writing taught by Ms. Parviainen, Expository Writing taught by Ms. Lynch and Language Arts Workshop taught by Mr. Lewis.

Foreign Language Department

The Foreign Language Department welcomed two new teachers for the 2008-2009 school year. Ms. Meghan Lynch is a graduate of UMass Amherst and received a Master's degree from Elms College. She also studied in Spain and taught previously at Chicopee Comprehensive High School. This year, Ms. Lynch is teaching second and third year Spanish at Wilmington High School. Ms. Rebecca Hoffman, a graduate of St. Anslem's College, is teaching first and second year Spanish at Wilmington High School. Ms. Hoffman is currently enrolled in the MAT in Spanish program at Salem State College.

A new AP Spanish program was introduced in the fall of 2008. AP Spanish is being taught by Ms. Terresa Pietro who attended a week-long training session in July at St. Johnsbury Academy. Ms. Pietro also co-chairs the Foreign Language Club at Wilmington High School which has over 60 members who meet once a month to learn about other cultures and sample traditional foods from countries around the world. In December, club members hosted a Holiday Breakfast for faculty and staff. The club's International Culture Fest, a celebration of diversity at Wilmington High School with traditional foods, entertainment and booths representing many nations, will be held on March 14 in the Wilmington High School Cafeteria. This year the Foreign Language Department is offering both Italian 1 and Italian 2 classes, taught by Mr. Daniel Indiciani, who will be leading a group of students to three cities, (Rome, Florence and Venice) in Italy over the February vacation. The Italian program is funded in part by a grant from the Centro Attivita Scolastiche Italiane (C.A.S.I.T.).

The 2008-2009 school year is the department's third year of curriculum renewal. The renewal committee is comprised of 6-12 Curriculum Team Leader Joyce Beckwith, Wilmington High School teachers Daniel Indiciani, Meghan Lynch, Terresa Pietro and Joanne Veliz and Wilmington Middle School teacher Cynthia Irish. This year the committee is reviewing instructional materials and developing assessments.

Guidance Department

The Wilmington High School Guidance Department continues its work towards introducing new initiatives and maintaining established programs that benefit our students and their families. In the spring of 2008, the counselors collaborated in the creation of a comprehensive guide for students designed to be a roadmap for the college process. The Wilmington High School College Planning Guide, distributed to the Class of 2009 in April during Junior Seminars, received positive feedback and has become a handbook for our students. The second annual Senior Parents' Breakfast, sponsored by the high school counselors in late September, provided an open forum where 80 parents asked questions about college application procedures. Students continue to access the ACT college testing program as an alternative to the SAT alone. Our on-site testing program for the 2008-2009 academic year began in October with the PSAT, which was administered to 209 Grade 10 and 11 students, followed by SAT testing for Seniors in November. On October 27, the Wilmington High School Guidance Department co-sponsored the regional College Fair at the Shriners' Auditorium. In early November, a representative from UMass Lowell, in conjunction with the counselors, presented a comprehensive program describing the financial aid process, an event that was well attended by our Grade 11 and Grade 12 parents. Two On-the-Spot Admissions events brought two local colleges, UMass Lowell and Salem State College, to Wilmington High School for interviews and admissions decisions. At this event, 72 students were granted admission to these fine institutions. On January 7th, Wilmington High School Guidance Department presented the second annual Alumni Roundtable, a program that invites members of the Class of 2008 to return to Wilmington High School to share their college experiences with our current seniors and juniors.

After much research, the Guidance staff chose to partner with "Connect!" a web-based college admissions access program. This program, which is used by a number of area high schools, is in the implementation stage and will be an asset to counselors in the processing of college applications. In addition, this program offers a component that allows parents access to information about student applications in process. To date, the Wilmington High School counseling staff has processed over 720 college applications. In addition to UMass Lowell and Salem State College, Wilmington High School students have received acceptance to many prestigious schools including Boston College, Georgetown University, American University, St. Michael's College, University of South Carolina, Savannah School of Art and Design, Assumption College, University of New Hampshire, University of Connecticut, UMass Amherst, UMass Dartmouth, and the University of Vermont. In late January, the Guidance staff will introduce to the students in the Class of 2011 a web-based vehicle for career exploration, "Career Cruising," which offers interest inventories and career information for students to facilitate future planning.

Mathematics Department

The Mathematics Department at Wilmington High School is comprised of 11 full-time teachers, each teaching five classes and one Curriculum Team Leader who teaches three classes. We have two new members of the Mathematics Department this year that have come to us with experience from the Lawrence and Peabody school systems.

The courses offered in the Mathematics Department range from Algebra 1 through AP Calculus. A large percentage of Wilmington High School students complete four years of mathematics, although the requirement is three years. At this time our current sophomores, juniors and seniors complete their three year program with Algebra 2 and may choose a fourth year of mathematics from one of our senior electives which include Programming, Algebra 3, Advanced Math Topics, Pre Calculus, Trigonometry, Probability & Statistics, Honors Calculus AB and AP Calculus AB. Many of our current ninth graders have completed Algebra 1 in grade 8 and are enrolled in Geometry this year. They will advance to Algebra 2 as sophomores and will have the opportunity to expand their mathematics experience beyond Algebra 2 as juniors. We anticipate a revision to our High School Mathematics Program over the next several years as we anticipate the need to expand our offerings and begin our curriculum renewal process. We have begun this revision by adding a full year of Statistics to our program for the 2009-2010 school year.

Our students continue to improve in our standardized testing. MCAS results were very positive again this year with almost 90% of our tenth graders achieving either in the Proficient or Advanced status. We continue to offer a "Math Workshop" course to our tenth graders as a preparation for the May exams. This course is designed to reinforce skills and to develop test-taking strategies. We also offer opportunities for extra preparation for eligible students through our Academic Support Services Program which is offered three different times during the school year as well as over the summer months. This program is funded by a grant which has been approved by the Massachusetts Department of Education.

Our Advanced Placement testing in Calculus AB also demonstrates positive results with 75% of those tested achieving a qualifying score on the 2008 exams.

Science Department

In 2008 the high school science program began to reap the benefits of its efforts on curriculum renewal with the adoption and purchase of selected textbooks and laboratory supplies. Physical Science, Biology and Chemistry texts, selected and endorsed by teachers, were put into service in several courses. New materials were selected based upon alignment with State learning standards, local curriculum, assessment support and technology integration. The Physical Science program also benefited from the purchase of laboratory materials from Cambridge Physics Outlet. Sufficient CPO lab kits were purchased to insure that students could work in groups of two insuring maximum engagement and inquiry-based participation. The Physical Science teachers also engaged in six days of professional development centered on the use of the materials.

The Science Department was awarded a MassBioEd Grant in the spring of 2008. Science Curriculum Team Leader, Jim Megyesy, authored the grant proposal in January and received word in May of the award. The grant provided $8,000 in Biotechnology and Biology laboratory supplies plus professional development support for three Biology teachers. Mr. Megyesy named Biotechnology teacher Dawn Martell as the primary contact to select materials and manage the award benefits. This was the second time that the Science Department had been awarded a Massachusetts Biotechnology grant. The first award, granted in 2003, was used to initiate the Biotechnology program at the high school. Another new program at the high school came late in the spring as a pilot program from Cambridge-based TERC (Technical Education Research Center). The course is titled BioComplexity and is being taught for the first time by Physical Science and Aquaculture instructor Carol Mutchler. The course is designed to promote students use of World-wide GIS databases to investigate environmental/ecological problems. One example of the work done in the course was students' participation in the World Water Monitoring project which saw them collect data from water sources in Wilmington and registering them in an international database – effectively putting Wilmington on the global environmental "map" for the first time.

In summary, the science program at both the middle and high school continues to benefit from initiatives associated with curriculum renewal.

Social Studies Department

The Wilmington High School Social Studies Department is offering two new semester electives for the 2008-2009 school year:

Facing History and Ourselves is an interdisciplinary course co-taught by teachers from the English and Social Studies Departments. The course explores the emergence, evolution and underlying causes of genocide and crimes against humanity in the 20th and 21st centuries. Using the Holocaust and other case studies, students in the course examine the origins of the atrocities, the role ordinary citizens played and what we can do today to prevent these crimes from happening again.

World War II is a course taught purely by the Social Studies Department. In this course, students examine the diplomatic and military aspects of World War II as well as how it affected the lives of the people in the countries involved. Topics of the course include the prelude to the war, military campaigns in Europe and the Pacific, the Holocaust, science and the atom bomb, the U.S. home front and the immediate and long term consequences of the war.

Special Education

The Wilmington High School Special Education Department provides specialized services to students with disabilities at the high school level. The services are provided by nine teachers, six classroom educational assistants, four one-to-one educational assistants, a school social worker, a sign language interpreter, a speech and language pathologist, a physical therapist, an occupational therapist, behaviorists, school psychologists and EMARC vocational specialists. Services for individual students are determined by a team and documented in an Individual Education Program following State and Federal regulations.

Wilmington High School Faculty.

WILMINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Wilmington Middle School, according to its annual School Improvement Plan, continues to strive for improvement in the areas of student performance, curriculum and instruction and school climate. Results of the May 2008 MCAS show improvement in mathematics for all learners. In fact, Wilmington Middle School has met its goal from the previous school year by achieving Adequate Yearly Progress in math. This expectation set forth by the State must now be met for English Language Arts. Faculty members consistently use Curriculum Improvement Time and department meetings to refine and improve the Middle School's curricula for sixth, seventh and eighth grade. In September of 2008, the entire school population came together to create Community Quilts. Students and staff alike designed their own "quilt squares" that represented them as individuals. The quilts were then constructed, by the Student Council and volunteers, in order to demonstrate how we can be respectful of our individual differences within our school community. These unique and colorful Community Quilts are now proudly displayed in our cafeteria.

In 2008, the Middle School implemented a new master schedule that allows for more instructional minutes in the core subject areas of mathematics, English Language Arts, social studies, science and world languages. In addition, our 968 students continue to be offered a rich curriculum with a variety of courses, such as: computer literacy, music, visual arts, media, physical education/health, technology education and the performing arts. With over one hundred staff members, we work to meet the needs of our students academically, socially and emotionally, during the ever-changing developmental period of early adolescence.

We foster collaborative working relationships with many local businesses and organizations, including Wilmington Family Counseling, Textron Systems, the Town Crier, the Wilmington Memorial Library, Analog Devices and the Wilmington Educational Foundation. With the support and guidance of these groups, and our generous Parent Advisory Council, we are fortunate to offer students a plethora of extra-curricular activities, including the Mentoring Program, Future Scientists and Engineers of America, Student Council, Math Club, Art Club, Yearbook and the Paw Prints newspaper. It is important that our students feel a sense of belonging and a sense of pride in our school. With the aforementioned activities, our school is buzzing with activity from 1:40-3:00 each afternoon.

In 2008, several longstanding educators retired from their service to the Wilmington Public Schools: Jim Tildsley, Assistant Principal; Joanne Phillips, teacher of English and Karen Larrabee, art teacher. These educators gave many years, invaluable guidance and much dedication to the children of Wilmington.

English Department

We welcome Ms. Erica Pasquarelli as an 8th grade Wilmington Middle School English teacher.

Mr. Michael Mahoney organizes the literature for the Middle School Classroom workshop. Mr. Mahoney also is the founder and advisor of the middle school newspaper, Paw Prints. Paw Prints is published bi-monthly in the Town Crier, Wilmington's weekly newspaper which has a 15,000 person readership. The Paw Prints staff has had nearly 40 students and has gone from black and white to color; it is one of the few middle/high school student-run newspapers in the country that is published in an actual newspaper.

Ms. Jeanne McGonagle attended a workshop, "The Best New Young Adult Books 2009." The presentation and resource handbook included annotated lists of books: new books, books for reluctant readers, read-alouds and teachable novels. The books are leveled by Middle, Junior and Senior High. The handbook includes multiple genres: fiction, poetry, non-fiction, short story collections and novels in verse.

Middle School students interview Chairman of the Board of Selectmen,
Michael J. Newhouse and Town Manager Michael A Caira.

Science Department

In the middle school, new textbooks were purchased based upon recommendations of the Secondary Science Review Committee and with the unanimous endorsement of the middle school science teachers. The textbook series, Pearson Science Explorer, was selected for its alignment with State learning standards and local curriculum. The adoption comes with several important curriculum resources including technology-integrated lesson planning and assessment tools, video and DVD laboratory demonstrations and inquiry prompts as well as online textbooks and classroom management tools. The classroom management tools will allow teachers to register their students online for countless Internet learning supports including tutorials, web quests, online assessment, etc. Students' access to an online textbook will help to address the needs of students who require a second text and provide ready access to the textbook for parents to investigate as well. The textbook series was also accompanied by professional development support for teachers to insure that they are able to make full use of the program features and technology supports.

Social Studies Department

The Middle School Social Studies Department is in the process of selecting a new Geography textbook to be implemented at the start of the 2009-2010 school year. The Seventh Grade Geography teachers and a representative of the Special Education Department, along with the Social Studies Curriculum Team Leader and the Assistant Superintendent, met with various publishers in November to review and examine existing Geography textbook programs. Two finalists have been selected and will be piloted by the Geography teachers in early 2009 as part of the final decision-making process.

Special Education Department

The Wilmington Middle School Special Education Department provides specialized services to students with disabilities at the middle school level. The services are provided by 12 special education teachers, classroom educational assistants, one-to-one educational assistants, speech and language pathologists, a school social worker, school psychologists, behaviorists, a physical therapist, and an occupational therapist. Services for individual students are determined by a team and documented in an Individual Education Program following State and Federal regulations.

NORTH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

There are currently 335 students at the North Intermediate School in grades 4 and 5. There are eight fourth grade classrooms, seven fifth grade classrooms, and one 502.4 Special Education classroom at the school. Students have access to a broad academic curriculum that includes Reading/Language Arts, Math, Social Studies and Science. Students also participate in a variety of specialist periods each week. Music, Art, Physical Education, Library/Media, Health and D.A.R.E. provide students with a well-rounded curriculum.

We are in the seventh year of the *Trail Blazers* math program and work continues in this area under the direction of our Elementary Math Coordinator, Mrs. Terri Buscemi. This is the fourth year of implementation of the Houghton Mifflin Reading Program, under the direction of the Elementary Literacy Coordinator, Mr. Gerald LaPointe. These programs are aligned to the Massachusetts Frameworks and provide instruction, practice and assessment of the framework's standards.

We continue to work to update and improve our Technology program. Mrs. Peachey, our Library-Media instructor has expanded utilization of our E-Instruction Classroom Performance System (CPS) in her classes. This interactive technology allows students to respond to curriculum questions in real-time using individual "clickers." It also allows the instructor to gather individual and group assessment data instantaneously. A laptop computer was purchased to use with the CPS system in order to allow for greater portability. This year students are working on a new web-based program entitled "Brainchild" as a means of preparing for MCAS testing. A projector, purchased by the

Parent Advisory Council, has been ceiling-mounted permanently in our computer lab. Two of our teachers received Technology Mini-Grants this past year. Mrs. Bendel purchased portable weather stations to augment her Science curriculum. Mrs. Lojek obtained an "Elmo" Digital Document camera with her grant funds. We continue to seek additional ways to upgrade the technological services, equipment and programs at the North Intermediate School.

Our students, once again, participated in the Outdoor Life program. This alternative curriculum presents Grade 5 students with a comprehensive, hands-on learning model that integrates all the major subjects through engagement in a variety of outdoor activities. Once again the program, which takes place at Camp Forty Acres, was run in the fall rather than the spring. A one-day follow-up will take place in the spring. Students will return to explore the vernal pools which are only observable at that time of the year.

North Intermediate students continue to participate in the Math Facts Challenge. Students are evaluated, on a weekly basis, on their ability to complete math facts problems in a timely manner. Students are tested in the four basic math operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). As they successfully complete each operation they are rewarded by their classroom teachers with a pencil which recognizes their achievement. When all four operations have been successfully mastered students are awarded a certificate and have their name and picture added to our "Math Facts Superstars" bulletin board.

The North Intermediate School continues to use Peer Mediation as an effective means of helping students resolve conflicts in a peaceful manner. Empowering children to talk through their problems, with the support of their peers, and to formulate mutually acceptable solutions has proven to be a highly effective means of deterring future conflicts in our school.

This year we have begun a Grade 5 Student Advisory Council. Representatives were elected from each classroom. These representatives meet periodically with the principal to discuss school-wide issues that impact their school. Empowering students to have a voice in school decisions has proven to be an effective way to improve school climate.

"Quilting Through The Years" with students from the summer CARES program.

The North has partnered with the Lowell Five Cents Savings Bank this year to offer our students an opportunity to open "Smart Save" savings accounts. This program is designed to help students learn about the importance of saving at an early age. Many of our students have taken advantage of this opportunity to save with an interest-bearing, free passbook savings account. Students simply bring their deposits to school each Tuesday. A courier from the bank picks them up and deposits them at the bank. The courier returns on Thursdays with receipts for the students that made deposits that week.

Safety continues to be a high priority at the North Intermediate School. In order to ensure the continuous improvement of these practices the safety committee meets regularly to discuss ways to implement new procedures to address our changing needs. One addition to our safety program this past year was the installation of a video monitor in the office so people approaching the front entrance can be identified. A buzzer has been installed so the door can be unlocked once security has been cleared. We have continued the process of providing room keys to all teachers and staff members and to require all volunteers complete CORI forms and all staff members wear I.D. badges. Visitors and volunteers are also required to wear badges whenever they are in the building for any reason and all staff members are required to have CORI checks completed. Various fire and

emergency drills are conducted regularly to ensure readiness in the case of a real emergency. We are planning to participate in an evacuation drill at some point later this year, now that that plan has been fully developed. It is an ongoing goal of the North Intermediate School and the Wilmington Public Schools to anticipate any possible emergency situation and to develop a plan to ensure the safety of all students and school personnel.

The North Intermediate School is extremely appreciative of the PAC for its ongoing generous support of our school and its programs. The fundraising activities they sponsor each year generate a considerable amount of money for programs and materials that benefit the school and enhance the curriculum. They provide enrichment programs for our students and generously purchase a variety of materials for the school. The North Intermediate School is grateful for the hard work and support of the PAC. We recognize it is the combined efforts of parents and teachers that create an atmosphere for learning which strives to meet the needs of each child and fosters the well-being and success of all students.

WEST INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

The West Intermediate School prides itself on creating a positive environment; greeting children by name and making each child feel valued as members of the school community. The West Intermediate School staff is always working together to improve the quality of instruction and the service to children. We had several changes in the staff in the year 2008. New staff members this year include Abby Kacamburas in Grade 5, Amy Simmons in Grade 4, Michelle Scardina in Special Education and Amanda Burbank in Music.

Staff members participated in a variety of professional development activities that support the District Strategic Plan and the North/West Intermediate Schools Improvement Plan. These professional development activities include differentiation, responding to Open Response questions and integrating technology into everyday classroom teaching. We also switched our web-based curriculum support to a new program called "Brainchild", which allows students to work individually on strengthening their skills in math and language arts.

In the classrooms, aside from everyday lessons, we participated in many additional activities. An important goal at the West Intermediate School is to instill in the children a sense of personal achievement and social awareness. To this end, we had Explorer Day, Poetry Day and Math Immersion Day, participation in Wilmington Fire Department's Toys for Children In Need, collecting food for the local Food Pantry, the annual Winter Coat Drive sponsored by Anton's cleaners and continued participation in Box Tops for Education.

The students of Room 107 staged a homecoming surprise for fifth grader Matt Coleman, who's Dad completed his tour of duty overseas in November. Mr. Coleman was able to slip into the classroom and sit in Matt's seat while he was out at recess. When Matt came in, his family, classmates and news cameras greeted him. Everyone in attendance was provided with a cherished memory.

One of our classroom teachers, Erin Healey, was awarded one of only two Fund for Teachers grants, sponsored by the Wilmington Education Foundation. This grant enabled Erin to travel cross-country this past summer and visit many Native American sites and reservations, capturing photographs and securing artifacts to enhance the Grade 5 Social Studies unit on our Native American culture. She incorporated her information into a teaching format using CPS technology to engage the children.

The Wilmington CARES program operates daily from the West Intermediate School and is an integral part of our school community. This year, Kelley Torpey took over as site coordinator at the West Intermediate School. In addition to regular daily activities, she has also arranged for the children to attend sessions at GymStreet USA and for groups of children to spend time working on crafts projects at the Wilmington Health Care Center, which is a nursing home and rehabilitative center.

The Shawsheen/West PAC continues to support grades one to five at both the Shawsheen Elementary and West Intermediate Schools. They provide Student Planners for every child in the building. They fund enrichment programs, which included Mister Magnet, Techsploration/Simple Machines, Go for the Stars and a motivational presentation by Molly Sliney, two-time Olympic medalist in fencing. The PAC also organized additional activities such as the Ice Cream Social, Holiday Gift Fair, Grade 5 Student Yearbook and Family Game Night.

SHAWSHEEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The Shawsheen Elementary School is one of the primary schools that houses students in grades one through three. We have seven classrooms at each grade level. There are two special education classrooms; one is a multi-grade language based classroom serving students with academic challenges and the other is a classroom serving students who have a diagnosis that falls within the Autism Spectrum. In addition to the 21 general education teachers and two special education teachers, we have many support staff including reading specialists, learning specialists, a speech and language pathologist, a guidance counselor, a school secretary, a school nurse, a physical therapist, unified arts teachers (music, art and health/physical education) and a librarian. All of the staff members continue to be committed to designing instruction that addresses and meets the diverse needs of the student population.

The staff strives to provide positive and productive learning experiences for students by creating lessons that challenge their abilities while making the learning fun and rewarding. The lessons follow the prescribed curriculum of the Wilmington Public Schools, focusing on the content areas of reading/language arts, mathematics, social studies and science. It is our goal to assist all students in maximizing their learning potentials as they participate daily in challenging instruction and thought provoking activities planned by the staff.

To support and enhance student experiences with the curriculum, the school offers many other academic programs. Throughout the school year, the students are presented with a "Math Word of the Week," to strengthen their mathematical vocabulary and understanding of concepts. At the end of each week, we conduct a math drawing where all students have an opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of the word by responding to a math question focused on the word. A lucky winner is chosen from each grade level and rewarded with special prizes. Students continue to work diligently on the Math Facts Challenge Program, helping them to learn their basic math facts. As they pass timed tests in the different mathematical operations, they receive a certificate and pencil for their efforts, as they work toward making the Math Facts Honor Roll. The Shawsheen School continues to witness a large percentage of students who achieve honor roll status.

Each year the Shawsheen Elementary School provides a Reading Incentive Program. This program asks the students to read nightly in order to reach a designated goal of a specific number of hours of reading to earn an incentive by the end of the school year. This past school year the program was called "Dive into Reading." If the students attained the goal of the numbers of hours they needed to read, their incentive was to have an opportunity to dunk the principal in a water tank. As further incentive, the classrooms who clocked the most reading hours during each month of the program were given a chance to practice their aim by throwing water balloons at a target. A picture of the class was also hung on a special bulletin board in the cafeteria dedicated to the Reading Incentive Program. The students did achieve the goal of the program and in early June, the principal took his seat of honor above the dunk tank and was soaked a total of four times.

The Powerful Pencils bulletin board, located in the library lobby, proves to be a perfect way for us to display the talented creative writing of students. Throughout the year, each classroom is assigned a time to exhibit some form of writing that students completed in their classrooms. This bulletin board has displayed some wonderful writings including trickster tales, narratives, descriptive writings and poetry. In addition to this bulletin board, each student has an opportunity to have one of their writings published in the school literary magazine called the "Shawsheen Scene." This publication goes out three times yearly, giving each student a chance to have one of their works appear in the magazine. Three of our staff members coordinate this initiative.

Staff members continue to become more versed with integrating technology in the classroom. Through the use of the smart board, students are able to interact with programs that enhance lesson goals. The CPS system used by a couple of teachers has proven helpful in collecting assessment data as teachers have developed testing instruments to evaluate student understanding of skills and concepts being taught in the classroom. PowerPoint presentations have greatly added to lessons designed by teachers. It is our goal to continue to offer more professional development opportunities to staff to help increase the integration of technology in daily instruction.

After conducting an analysis of the MCAS in both reading and math, the staff determined that students would benefit from additional learning experiences in test-taking strategies. To this end, the Shawsheen Elementary School offered an after-school assistance program to third grade students. This course ran for eight weeks, one day per week, one hour per session. A majority of the third grade students opted to participate in this program. The program was coordinated by one of our reading specialists and instructed by ten of our teaching staff. The lessons focused on learning particular test-taking skills while using reading comprehension content. It was amazing how committed the students were in their participation. By conducting a survey at the beginning and end of this program, we were able to collect data that clearly suggested that students felt more confident in taking tests, given the strategies that they had learned.

In the spirit of "going green," the school community has become more reliant on posting communication on the school's web page. Most school communications such as any school-related announcements, newsletters, special activities or programs are posted on the web page. It is our hope to keep the public current with all school happenings by placing these announcements on our web page. Also, in this vein, we continue to keep the school community informed of school activities, including early release days and special events, by sending phone messages via the Connect-Ed communication system. This vehicle allows us to reach the entire school community with important school information within a matter of minutes. It has also proven very effective in announcing any necessary school cancellations or delayed openings.

In honor of the presidential election, the Shawsheen School conducted a mock election. This activity was facilitated by the assistant principal and the student council. All of our students were given a chance to vote for the president/vice president of their choice. After several weeks of learning about the voting process, the students cast their votes in booths set up in the conference room. The votes were tallied by the end of the day and the winners were announced to students. The students had a first hand experience of the voting process as a result of their participation in this activity.

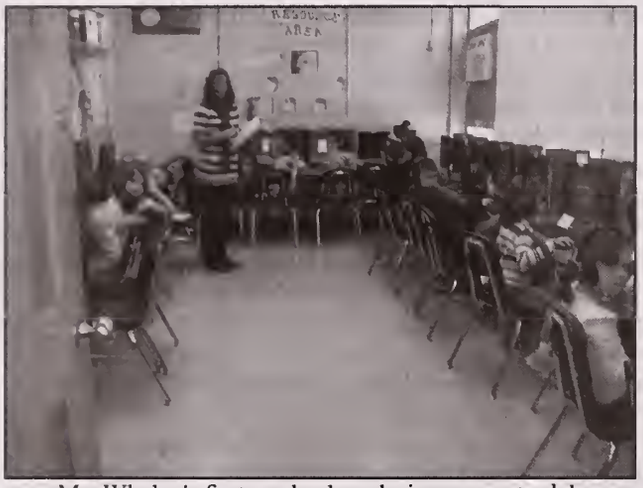
Parent involvement remains high at the school. Parents show their support in a variety of ways: the Parent Advisory Council (PAC), the School Advisory Council (SAC), volunteering in the library, classrooms and cafeteria, reading in classrooms and sharing careers with students. We are fortunate to have parents who are so supportive and help to enrich the educational experience for their children. We want to thank the PAC for the beautiful new school sign!

Congratulations to the members of the third grade team who were awarded the Summer Teacher Fund Grant generously offered by the Wilmington Educational Foundation (WEF). As a result, the teachers toured Massachusetts during the summer and collected information to enrich the third grade unit of study on Massachusetts. From all of the information gathered and photographs taken, the teachers created a PowerPoint presentation allowing the audience to take a virtual tour of our great state.

As always, the Shawsheen Elementary School continues to strive to provide excellent learning opportunities and experiences for the students. We remain committed to providing the students with the education and knowledge to help them form the necessary foundation to become accomplished life-long learners and responsible citizens. We are only able to achieve this goal as a result of the dedicated collaboration and contributions of all of the school community members including students, parents, involved citizens and the school staff.

WOBURN STREET SCHOOL

This year the Woburn Street School has a total student enrollment of 485 in grades one, two and three. There are eight first grade classrooms, seven second grade classrooms, eight third grade classrooms, and one 502.4 Special Education Substantially Separate Classroom. New staff members this year include Ms. Renee Kelly, who was hired to teach third grade when Mrs. Nan Murphy accepted a new position as assistant principal at a school in Lowell. In addition, Ms. Kerin Ritchie and Mrs. Martha Bransfield are currently working as educational assistants in our 502.4 classroom. Ms. Kimberly Whelan, who replaced Mrs. Marilyn Jervis following her retirement last January, was hired as a permanent first grade teacher and Ms. Marianne Puddister was hired to replace Mrs. Sarah Shaffer, another first grade teacher who relocated to Vermont in June. In addition, Ms. Carroll Conquest has been hired as our art teacher, replacing Ms. Sara Sussman who transferred to the Middle School. We have also been fortunate to add Mrs. Justine Marquard to our office staff. Mrs. Marquard has been hired to work two hours each day to assist our secretary, Mrs. Palermo. Later this year Mr. Arsenault, long-time principal at the Woburn Street School, will be retiring. The process is in place for hiring a new principal for the school and should begin in January.



Ms. Whelan's first grade class during computer lab technology instruction at the Woburn Street School.

Technology continues to be an area of major emphasis and has been identified as one of the district's goals for this year. All of the computers and monitors in our computer lab were replaced, resulting in a more efficient and comfortable computer lab. The school year began with a presentation for all Wilmington teachers in September by Dr. Alan November, well-known authority on the use of technology in schools. This focus was continued with a day-long series of technology workshops for all Wilmington staff later in the fall. Teachers are currently working to implement what they learned during these sessions. Students in grades one and two continue to work in the *Success Maker Program* in the computer lab twice each week, using both the math and reading components of that program, while third graders are using the web-based *Study Island* program both at school and at home. This program is another way to help third graders prepare for MCAS testing in the spring. Third grade students also continue to develop keyboarding skills using a program entitled *Bernie's Typing Travels.* We continue to use Alpha Smart keyboards for student writing, especially for some of our special needs students, and individual teachers have created their own web pages. As a staff and school community we continue to seek additional ways to regularly upgrade the technological services, equipment and programs at the Woburn Street School. In our effort to "go green" we are communicating electronically with staff and parents as much as possible and several documents that were previously sent home as hard copies are now available on the web instead.

This is the second year we have been using the new standards based progress reports. The new reporting system was designed to better coordinate with our instruction and the standards of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. The new progress reports are based on specific academic standards set by the state and student benchmark assessment results are provided to parents in each area. This year we are working to make this new system all electronic so that all recording can be done on the computer rather than being hand written. This includes specialists as well as classroom teachers. The intermediate schools are currently working to create a new progress report for Grades 4 and 5 that will coordinate with the one we are using in Grades 1, 2 and 3. This will complete the updating of our reporting system at the elementary level.

Once again we are offering an after school program to assist third grade students with reading. This program is coordinated by Mrs. Donahue and Ms. Jablonsky and begins in January immediately following the holiday vacation. This is part of a research project that continues to examine data to set measurable goals for improving student performance. In addition, Mrs. King, our assistant principal, wrote and received a grant from the Wilmington Educational Foundation for an after school book club. This is also set to begin in January and will provide opportunities for children in Grades 1, 2 and 3 to read and discuss books at their own reading level.

The Woburn Street School has been fortunate to receive several other grants this year. We have received a grant from Exxon/Mobil for $500 which will be used to purchase materials. We received a grant, submitted by Mrs. Traci Jansen, for $700 from Target to pay for our third grade field trip to the Middlesex Canal Museum. We also received a grant from the Reading Municipal Light Department as a result of our parents completing an on-line survey regarding the energy efficiency of their homes. This grant allowed us to purchase a new energy saving refrigerator and freezer for the school to replace the outdated appliances in the teachers' lounge.

The Reading Incentive Program continues this year to encourage children to read at home. Our theme is *Vote for Books* and the children have been busy reading each day to complete the program's requirements. In March we will be hosting our annual visiting author as part of this program. This year we are pleased to have Judith Jango-Cohen, a local author who lives in Burlington, as our guest author. Ms. Jango-Cohen has written many non-fiction books for children, including *Ben Franklin's Big Shock, Real Life Sea Monsters, Chinese New Year, The Respiratory System* and *Penguins.* Ms. Jango-Cohan will be with us for a full day and a half in March, presenting individual programs to each grade level. Children at the Woburn Street School who complete the Reading Incentive Program will receive a book written and autographed by our visiting author. To promote this program, all of the classroom libraries have been updated with an exciting collection of titles on grade level, below grade level and above grade level.

Safety is always a high priority at the Woburn Street School and in the district. It is our goal to ensure the continuous improvement of our safety practices. The safety committee meets regularly to discuss ways to implement new procedures to address our changing needs and improve established practices. Our office monitor allows us to identify people approaching the front entrance and clear them before allowing them to enter the building. All other doors remain locked during the school day. Fire drills are conducted monthly, other emergency drills have been developed and practiced and staff members continue to discuss procedures for possible situations that would require a predetermined plan. At the end of this school year we will be conducting our first drill for an off-site evacuation. It is an ongoing goal of the Woburn Street School and the Wilmington Public Schools to anticipate any possible emergency situation and to develop a plan to ensure the safety of all students and school personnel. In addition, the Wilmington Public Schools has implemented the Connect Ed program. This program allows us to contact every parent and staff member in a matter of seconds to inform them of a snow day, an early release, a delayed opening or any emergency situation.

The Woburn Street School is fortunate to have a long and cooperative association with the Northside PAC. We are extremely appreciative for its generous support of our school and its programs. The PAC sponsors a variety of fundraising activities to generate money for programs and materials that benefit the school and enhance the curriculum. The PAC regularly provides enrichment programs for our students, as well as providing a variety of materials each year. The Woburn Street School is extremely grateful for the hard work and support of the PAC. It is the spirit of cooperation between all stakeholders that works to make the Woburn Street School productive and enriching. Working together we strive to create and maintain a positive school climate and an environment for learning and growth.

BOUTWELL EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

The Boutwell Early Childhood Center is home to an Integrated Pre-school Classroom, a Substantially Separate Pre-school Classroom, six Kindergarten Classrooms and the Bridge Program. In addition, Boutwell houses an Extended Day Kindergarten Program (CARES).

The Wilmington Public Schools is in its second year of full day kindergarten at both Early Childhood sites. The Program is five hours and fifteen minutes in duration. The children have a lunch period and recess each day. The Boutwell Early Childhood Center is able to offer a multi-faceted learning experience to the students, which includes participation in physical education, music, art, library and computer lab. Special Education Services are available for those students who qualify and need assistance in the areas of Speech and Language, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Resource Learning services. This year, a Reading Specialist was added to the staff at the Boutwell Early Childhood Center. The Reading Specialist focuses on reading support and enrichment to the kindergarten students.

The Pre-school Program continues to be a half-day program: Monday-Thursday. Both the Pre-school and Kindergarten Curriculums are aligned to the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. Student progress reports are submitted to parents in January and June and reflect the Frameworks as well as curriculum initiatives. The Houghton Mifflin Reading Language Arts Program and Trailblazer Math Program are firmly established in the Kindergarten Curriculum. Our Kindergarten classes also maintain book buddies with West Intermediate School students. The Harcourt/Brace Science Program continues to be an integral part of the Kindergarten Curriculum. Its focus is on inquiry and exploration of the natural and physical world. The Integrated Pre-school Program has adopted the Pre-K component of the Houghton Mifflin Reading Language Arts Series. It introduces pre-school students to Alpha Friends, the cornerstone of the Reading Program. Literacy and Math Nights are offered to parents each year. These continue to be an effective means by which parents and private schools can receive an overview of literacy and math components as well as helpful ideas and strategies. Both enrich and strengthen the home school connection.

The Boutwell Parent Advisory Council (PAC) has been a strong and involved presence at the Boutwell Early Childhood Center this year. Members of the PAC work closely with staff and administration. The enrichment programs funded by PAC, which included "Reach for the Stars", "Ben Franklin" and visiting authors, have greatly enhanced curriculum. PAC has brought families together with such events as, Movie Nights, Family Fun Night and the Ice Cream Social. Their contributions to the students and families have been instrumental in developing a sense of community at Boutwell.

Our School Advisory Council (SAC) is another facet of parent involvement. Along with parents, teachers and administrators from both the Boutwell Early Childhood Center and Wildwood Early Childhood Center, this council develops a School Improvement Plan that is based around safety, security, curriculum and building initiatives.

Two performances are held during the school year under the direction of our Music Specialist, Pre-school and Kindergarten staff. In December, a winter concert was presented to parents and friends. This year's theme was "Our Favorite Time of Year". In April, parents were treated to a program that celebrated community. It is the culmination of a month long study of the Town of Wilmington. Activities that the children participated in included visits by the Town Manager, Fire Chief and Postmaster. Our Pre-school hosts a "Grandparents Tea" each spring. It is yet another highlight of the school year!

The Boutwell Early Childhood Center continues to provide a positive and productive learning environment for its students, many of whom are experiencing public school for the first time. Our staff strives to create a balance between each child's social emotional development while at the same time cognizant of curriculum and instruction. With the support and involvement of our parents, we endeavor to make each child's school experience an enriching one that will lay the foundation for the years to come.

WILDWOOD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

The Wildwood Early Childhood Center, located at 182 Wildwood Street, currently has an enrollment of 189 Kindergarten and Pre-school students. In September of 2008 the Wildwood Early Childhood Center embarked on its second year of full day kindergarten after making a successful transition from half day kindergarten in 2007. The Wildwood Early Childhood Center is currently comprised of seven full day kindergarten classrooms as well as a special needs kindergarten classroom. The five hour and fifteen minute kindergarten day allows our students to learn experientially and at a pace that is conducive to more in depth exploration of curriculum. The Wildwood Early Childhood Center also offers two pre-school programs. The integrated Pre-school program is presently a half-day program with two sessions that run four days a week for two and a half hours a day and a full day special needs pre-school that runs five hours and fifteen minutes. Our Pre-school programs help build a foundation of skills and early development for our students. In addition, the Wildwood Early Childhood Center houses the Wilmington Public Schools Special Education Department.

Our kindergarten students receive weekly art, music, volunteer run library time, which includes Pre-school and computer lab time run by volunteers as well. The computer lab time was increased at the onset of this school year to allow our students more time to interact directly with technology to help enhance our kindergarten curriculum. Physical Education classes are offered twice weekly. Lunches are served to all of our full day students on a daily basis. Special Education support services, such as Speech/Language Therapy, Resource/Learning Support, Occupational and Physical Therapy are available for students needing such assistance.

The Wildwood Early Childhood Center prides itself on being a student-centered educational facility, emphasizing individual student development, strong student-centered curriculum, family involvement and positive school climate. Central to our kindergarten curriculum are the Houghton Mifflin English Language Arts Program, which is also utilized in the Pre-school, and the Trail Blazers math program. Both programs lay the foundation for student success and both align with the Massachusetts State Frameworks. In kindergarten, the Harcourt Science Program was adopted last year. Much of our Curriculum Improvement Time went into aligning the science curriculum with our existing reading and math programs as well as fine tuning how we teach science to early childhood students. With the addition of full day kindergarten, our students now have more time to explore life, physical and earth science through a hands-on science program. Staff continues to work tirelessly keeping our curriculum current and in accordance with the Massachusetts State Frameworks, in an effort to provide our students with academic, critical thinking and social skills that will last them a lifetime. Classroom and center activities focus on age-appropriate literacy skills, phonemic awareness, mathematics, written language, science, social studies and social skill development. Social and emotional development is an equally important facet of our curriculum in the Pre-school and Kindergarten programs. Play and positive peer interactions are woven into every child's day.

Our School Advisory Council (SAC) is a combined committee of administrators, teachers and parents from the Boutwell and Wildwood Early Childhood Centers, who meet on a monthly basis to develop a School Improvement Plan for the Early Childhood Centers. The School Improvement Plan is a compilation of goals addressing the school's needs around learning results, professional development, facilities, community, technology and communication.

Additionally, our parents put forth great interest and enthusiasm in all of their efforts to support our school through an active Wildwood Parent Advisory Council (PAC). The PAC sponsors enrichment opportunities for our school that include field trips, materials for classrooms, presentations and Family Fun Nights that help bring together the Wildwood Early Childhood Center community.

In the spring the Wildwood Early Childhood Center participates in a school-wide thematic unit that focuses on the Town of Wilmington. Through this Wilmington Unit, students learn about the community, landmarks and traditions of their hometown through experiences that encompass all the strands of the curriculum. During our unit we also have a mini-town meeting where various town

officials come to our school and establish important relationships with our young students. Officer Moon, our Safety Officer, is a friendly face to all the children as he presents bus and community safety programs and Lt. Hurley and other fire fighters bring important fire safety messages and programs. We are thankful to have such community involvement and support for the children at the Wildwood Early Childhood Center where our goal is to meet the needs of all our students in order for them to succeed and develop a life long love of learning.

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

The department is pleased to welcome Carroll Conquest to our staff. Carroll is a graduate of Tufts University with a Master of Arts in Teaching Art Education. She has also been a Master Lecturer at the New England School of Art and Design for the senior level Graphic Design classes. Carroll is teaching art at the Woburn Street School. Sara Sussman has replaced Karen Larrabee at the middle school. We wish Karen all the best on her retirement.

Suzette Durso, Art and Photography teacher at the high school was presented with a 2008 WEF Technology Mini-grant award. This award allowed Mrs. Durso to purchase a wireless presenter for her Power Point presentations.

Due to a record number of enrollments this year, the graphic design program invited ceramics teacher, Meghan Hinman, to teach the Graphic Design II course, while Jennifer Fidler continued working with the Graphic Design I students. At both levels, students work with Adobe Creative Suite 3 software on a variety of design assignments ranging from single-page formats like business cards, illustrations and posters to multi-paged formats like CD packaging, magazine spreads and calendars. This year, the Graphic Design I students will once again participate in the Fun on the Fourth T-shirt Design Competition, as well as work on an array of other projects for community groups. This December, students will work on a series of posters for the Wilmington High School SADD chapter, promoting awareness for seatbelt safety. In Graphic Design II, students worked with Ms. Hinman on poster submissions for the Tiburon International Film Festival. As the year progresses, both levels will continue to expand on their design skills and talents while also working on community-driven assignments.

The Digital Video program expanded this year, bringing Animation to the Wilmington High School Visual Arts curriculum. Starting in January, the first semester of Animation will begin, introducing Wilmington students to a wide range of animation techniques using both video and computer technology.

The following students were awarded recognition at the Scholastic Art Awards competition.

Advanced Art I:

Ryan Townsend; Grade 11: Ceramics...Honorable Mention Mixed Media:
Paula Korng: Grade 12: Paste Paper Book...Honorable Mention

Graphic Design I:

Danielle Johnston: Grade 10: Personal Stationery Design....Silver Key

Graphic Design II:

Timburon Film Festival Poster: Christopher Lavin: Grade 12 Silver Key
Brianne Kelly: Grade 12 Honorable Mention
Amica DiMambro: Grade 11 Honorable Mention

Students visited the Museum of Fine Arts through the coordinated efforts of Danielle Ackerman, Mrs. Shack's student teacher. Students were given a tour of certain works and asked questions about the artwork. Art students also visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Cloisters Museum of Medieval Art in May. Both museum experiences widen the students' view of the variety of realistic and abstract art and a range of images from the medieval to the modern times.

Students in Mr. Roberts' classes have been very busy learning and practicing many new concepts and techniques. The sixth grade has been working with shape and texture and recently began studying how artists use space to enhance their work. In Grade 7, the students have finished working on one, two and three point perspective drawings and have recently begun figure drawing and learning the proper proportions to draw the human figure accurately. In Grade 8, students are learning about Israeli artist Yaacov Agam and are working on a Kinetic-style 3 panel work of art in Agam's style. There is a lot of creativity flowing at Wilmington Middle School and the kids are actively involved in creating wonderful works of art.

The following students exhibited their work in the 2008 Congressional Art Competition for the 6th Congressional District. The students were: Amica DiMambro, who was awarded Best of School and received a $500 scholarship to the Montserrat Summer Portfolio Program, Ruth Blaisdel, Ryan Townsend and Caitlin Martins.

Graphic Design I students participated in the Heinz Ketchup Creativity Contest where students across the nation were asked to redesign the Heinz Ketchup packet. Although there were no winners from Wilmington High School, the students made some impressive work.

PERFORMING ARTS

The Performing Arts Department has been enjoying a productive and successful year both in and out of the classroom. The Wilmington Strings Attached program has been hard at work preparing for their big trip to France in April 2009. They will be traveling throughout the French countryside and will be visiting many towns and cities including Paris, Nice and the French Riviera. In addition, the Strings program has made community service a priority, traveling to the Buzzell Senior Center and the Wilmington Care Center to perform holiday music this past December.

The Wilmington Wildcat Band has been busy as ever, finishing off another successful marching season. Their philanthropic spirit carries on this year through their involvement in the donation of over 300 cans of food to the Wilmington Food Pantry this past winter. The Wilmington Concert Bands and Jazz Bands have also been rehearsing heavily for their winter concerts as well as the Jazz Bands' upcoming POPS concert in April.

The Wilmington High School Drama Club is in full swing rehearsing for their upcoming production of "Anything Goes". Rehearsals began in early October and the kids have been working hard at memorizing lines and exploring characterization on stage. In addition to the musical, the Drama Club is also involved in the MHSDG One Act Festival, sponsored by the Boston Globe. This year we will be performing "Tartuffe or The Imposter" by Jean-Baptiste Poquelin Moliere and the play is being student-directed by Ms. Gabrielle D'Entremont. The casts and crews of both shows are excited about their upcoming performances. Also, the Wilmington Middle School Drama Club has just begun rehearsals for their spring musical, "Grease Jr." Our new teacher, Ms. Hasselbacher, has been working hard with Mrs. Kelly to direct an excellent show this year and turn-outs for auditions were extremely high.

Finally, the Wilmington High School Concert Choir and Acapella group, "*SoundScape*," have been having a great year so far, just finishing their concert circuit for the winter and now preparing for a fresh batch of spring concerts. *SoundScape* will be traveling to St. John's Prep in Danvers, MA to perform with their Acapella group, "Swingtown". Shortly after that, in February, *SoundScape* heads into the studio to record their very first CD! The CD will be sold at concerts to the public and will feature a wide variety of *SoundScape's* music, past and present.

As always, the Wilmington Performing Arts Department has maintained their commitment to excellence in music education as well. This year we are testing a pilot recorder text in the classroom that was created by a team of elementary teachers in the Wilmington Public School system. In addition, the middle school is continuing to explore new methods and techniques of music education through the installation of a brand new keyboard laboratory.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH

The Physical Education and Health Department continued to serve all students (K-12).

The Elementary Physical Education and Health Education Program is a comprehensive curriculum which incorporates physical fitness and skill development components as well as specific health related topics. The Health Education program emphasizes the importance of exercise, body systems, hygiene, proper nutrition, personal health care, sun protection and rest/sleep to feel well. The students learn to identify major behaviors that contribute to wellness through self-esteem, relationships, responsibility, communication and decision making skills. In fifth grade, we continue to offer the DARE Program in cooperation with the Wilmington Police Department and Officer Julie Brisbois. In addition to the curriculum, the Elementary Physical Education & Health teachers presented the Elementary Physical Education & Health Fair at Wilmington High School on Thursday, March 13, 2008.

The students from the North Intermediate, West Intermediate, Shawsheen and Woburn Street Schools demonstrated physical education and health activities at different stations. There were tables for the families to visit to gather information about the programs in our schools. The Wilmington Police and Fire Departments presented to the children their education programs. The Wilmington Health Services Department conducted screening for blood pressure, BMI, Type II Diabetes and Stroke education. The Wilmington Food Services shared important information on healthy snacks for children. The evening was a great success!!

The Middle School Physical Education & Health Education program is a comprehensive curriculum which incorporates health, physical fitness and sport skill development for all students. The Physical Education Department is extremely excited about the snow shoeing unit available to students during the winter. In addition to the snow shoeing unit, the middle school has a traverse climbing wall. The climbing wall enhances skills that build strength, endurance and coordination. During the fall the entire middle school, students and staff, participated in team building activity day that enhanced positive relationships among their entire school community. At this team building day everyone created their individual square to be included in the Wilmington Middle School Community Quilts. These quilts are hung in the cafeteria at the Wilmington Middle School. In addition to the quilts, the staff and students participated in a book discussion related to their summer reading assignment. The day was wonderful and enjoyed by everyone at the Wilmington Middle School.

The Physical Education Curriculum at the high school, Health Dynamics, is a comprehensive program dealing with health, fitness and life skills. Students will examine appropriate health topics including substance abuse, nutrition, physical fitness, human sexuality, mental health and stress management. The curriculum also incorporates effects of the environment, consumer issues, ecology and social issues in the program. Related physical activities designed to reinforce health issues will be offered to ensure a complete holistic sense of mental, spiritual and physical well-being.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

The Health Dynamics Department cited several students for Outstanding Achievement in 2008:

Academic Excellence Awards were presented to the following students:

Class of 2011: Christopher DiCecca
Class of 2010: Liam Gately
Class of 2009: Lisa Rooker
Class of 2008: Vinny Papageorgiou

Academic Achievement Awards were presented to the following students:

Jared Hayes
Alessandra Lyman
Bryanne Mara
Anthony Marinella
Tyler Strem

Athletic Award Recipients

Dr. Gerald Fagan Award: "To the most outstanding Wilmington High School Senior Athlete:" Ernie Mello and Katie Cole

Lawrence H. Cushing, Sr. Award: "To the senior demonstrating dedication to athletics at Wilmington High School:" Nick Farnsworth and Stephanie Baima

Harold "Ding" Driscoll Award: "To the senior athlete demonstrating dedication to athletics while attending Wilmington High School:" Leah Potcner, Kayla Hanson and Michael Cabral

Joseph H. Woods, Jr. Memorial Scholarship: "To the senior athlete demonstrating courage, discipline and tenacity while attending Wilmington High School:" Tom Barry and Alyssa Brown

Jack Wolfe Memorial Scholarship: "To the male and female athlete who exhibit team spirit, leadership and equal dedication to academics as well as athletics:" Michael Pizzotti and Kim Ciampa

Dick Scanlon Scholarship: Nick Robarge and Kim Ciampa

The Wildcat Distinguished Service Award: Joe Maiella

Athletic Department Highlights

The Boys Basketball team, coached by Jim McCune, had an overall record of 18-2. This was their seventh consecutive CAL Large School Championship. They lost in the Division III North Final at Tsongas Arena to Watertown High School. Zach Fahey was CAL Player of the Year and a Lowell Sun All Star. Matt Bibeau was CAL All Conference and a Lowell Sun All Star. Jim McCune was CAL and Lowell Sun Coach of the Year.

The Girls Basketball team, coached by Jay Keane, had an overall record of 14-6. They lost in the second round of the Division III North State Tournament. Amy Fahey was Cape Ann League All Conference and Lowell Sun All Star.

The Boys Ice Hockey team, coached by Stephen Scanlon, had an outstanding year with a Cape Ann League record of 15-1-4. They finished first in the Cape Ann League. The team lost in the Division II State Final at the TD BankNorth Garden to Sandwich High School 1-0. Michael Cabral was a CAL All League Player, Lowell Sun All Star and Boston Herald All Scholastic. Ernie Mello was a CAL All League Player and a Lowell Sun All Star. Eric Siegel was a CAL and Lowell Sun All Star. Stephen Scanlon was the CAL and Lowell Sun Coach of the Year.

The Wrestling team was coached by Michael Pimental. The Wrestling team was led by Ken Joyce. He was a CAL and Lowell Sun All Star. He is the Division III North Sectional and Division III State Champion at 215 pounds.

The Boys Indoor Track team, coached by Bob Cripps, won their first Cape Ann League Large Championship and finished with an 8-1 record. Nate Clarkin was a CAL All League and Lowell Sun All Star in the Shot Put. Jim Dinuccio was CAL All League in the 600 meter race. Bob Cripps was CAL Coach of the Year.

The Winter Cheerleading team, coached by Nancy Sullivan, were Cape Ann League and North Regional Champions.

Boys Spring Track, coached by Bob Cripps, had a record of 9-1 and finished second in the CAL Large Division. Nick Farnsworth was CAL, Class "C" State and All State Champion in the Javelin. The Javelin Relay Team, which consisted of Nick Farnsworth, Tom Barry and Mike Pizzotti were State Champions. Mike Condell was a CAL Champion in the 800 meter race and Matt Figueiredo was a CAL Champion in the 100 meter sprint.

The Baseball team, coached by Aldo Caira, won its first CAL Large School Championship with a record of 13-7. Carlton Lentini was a CAL All Conference Player and Mike Cabral was a CAL All Star.

The Girls Tennis team had its best year in recent memory as they finished third in the CAL Large with a record of 10-7. Coach Kevin Welch was CAL Coach of the Year.

The Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams were added to our Varsity Sports Program. The Boys team, coached by Mike Fay, were 7-9 in their first year and just missed the State Tournament by one game. They were led by CAL All Stars Sean Fay, Matt Kincaid, Corey Groves and Timmy Cushing.

Boys Soccer was coached by Stephen Scanlon and had an overall record of 13-1-4 for the second consecutive season. The team finished second in the CAL Large Conference. They lost in the semi-finals of the Division II State Tournament 1-0 to Masco in double overtime. Jason Pereira and Jon Spurr were CAL All League.

The Football team had an overall record 9-2. The team finished in second place in the CAL Large Conference under first year coach Mike Barry. CAL All League players were Steve Stewart, John Moriarty, Dennis Gingras and Mike Manganelli. Mike Barry was named Coach of the Year.

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

During the last academic year the Special Education Department received 174 referrals for initial Team evaluations and provided special education and related treatment services to 596 eligible students.

During the previous year the Special Education Department built a Life Skills Program at the high school level. This program extends the district's capability of providing services from the middle school level to the high school level for a particular group of eligible students. This program has an extended year component in order to prevent substantial regression. Moreover, the students in this program work with EMARC on the development of pre-vocational skills. This program has expanded the Wilmington Public Schools' capacity to provide in-district services to students with disabilities.

In a continuing effort to provide staff training for faculty and related service providers the Special Education Department has supported numerous workshops and conferences on topics such as, applied behavior analysis, the delivery of inclusionary services, alternative MCAS for students with disabilities, sensory processing and sensory integration in the classroom, techniques for children with emotional and behavioral problems and autism spectrum disorder.

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE

Wilmington School Food Service employs sixteen full-time and twenty-four part-time staff, in addition to the Food Service Secretary and the Administrator of Food Services. All salaries, food, supply and equipment purchases, as well as most maintenance costs and office supplies are paid from the Food Service revolving account. Revenues obtained from student lunch participation, reimbursement from the Department of Education, catering, Senior Citizen Lunch, Extended Day Care and other programs are used solely for the support and improvement of the School Food Service Program.

We comply with the United States Department of Agriculture's food based menu-planning system and nutrient standards, providing meals that meet 1/3 of the RDA for calories, as well as required levels of other key nutrients, including fat, saturated fat, protein, vitamins A & C, iron, and calcium. Lunch prices for the 2008/2009 school year are as follows: $1.75 at the Elementary Schools. The Middle School is $2.00 and the High School is $2.00-2.50. A total of 404,429 student meals were served last school year (2007-2008), an increase of 11,365 meals. Students may choose from a variety of lunch options at all grade levels to encourage participation. A variety of fresh fruits and vegetables are available each day, as part of the meal. Average monthly participation was approximately 65% district-wide. In addition to reimbursable meals, a la carte items are available to students to supplement school lunches and those brought from home.

Allergy and other health concerns continue to be addressed. All full-time food service staff are trained annually in EPI-PEN administration. Cafeteria Managers at each school and the Administrator of Food Services work closely with school nurses and parents, providing ingredient and nutrient information as necessary. At present there are 36 *ServSafe* certified sanitarians on staff including the Administrator and all staff should be certified by April 2009.

All staff were trained via video, through the town's insurance company on correctly lifting and slips and falls. All staff were trained about customer service via video, the video was titled, "Why should we be nice to them, they're just kids".

Computerized Point-of Sale systems are in place at all schools to improve the efficiency and accuracy of reporting and accounting. Participation, especially of students eligible for free and reduced price meals, has increased remarkably since this program was introduced and online services are now also available. Other initiatives completed during the school year include various equipment and storage facility improvements and the purchase of a new reach in freezer for the Boutwell School and milk coolers for both the Woburn Street School and the Wildwood School.

From August 2007 through July 2008, the Senior citizen home-delivered and congregate meals program at the West Intermediate School served 13,820 lunches.

CONCLUSION

On average, over 30 years of service to the Wilmington Pubic Schools came to an end for each of these staff members: Peg Fleming, Sue Smith, Jim Tildsley, Karen Larrabee, Judith Nowak, JoAnn Phillps and Jane Willwerth who walked out the door of their respective schools on June 11 to begin their retirement. These staff members have been an integral part of the Wilmington Public Schools. They have given of themselves to support, nurture and teach our students. We will be forever grateful for the time and gifts they lavished on our school community.

Our sincere thanks to Town Manager Michael Caira and his Senior Management staff for their consistent support of the public schools. The School Department is proud of the collaborative efforts and bonds that have been formed with the town and we are most appreciative that the town continues its longstanding commitment to supporting its schools so that they can function as learning communities.

Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational/Technical School District

The Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical School District is pleased to submit its 2008 Annual Report to the citizens of Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Tewksbury and Wilmington. Located on Cook Street in Billerica next to the towns of Burlington and Wilmington, the school celebrated its 38th anniversary this year, perpetuating the highest quality in vocational technical education to area youth and residents.

The elected representatives of the 10-member Regional School Committee that governs the District are: Mark Trifiro, Secretary, and Donald Drouin, Treasurer, from Bedford; Kenneth L. Buffum and Bernard F. Hoar, Chairman, from Billerica; Paul V. Gedick and John P. Miller from Burlington; J. Peter Downing and Patricia W. Meuse, Vice Chairman, from Tewksbury; and James M. Gillis and Robert G. Peterson, from Wilmington. Charles Lyons has been Superintendent/Director of the District since 1987.

Shawsheen Valley Technical High School (SVTHS) is one of 26 regional vocational technical school districts in Massachusetts. One thousand two hundred and seventy-six (1,276) high-school students were enrolled in SVTHS's day school programs in October of 2008 and more than 500 adults participated in the school's various adult and continuing education courses.

In June of 2008, SVTHS graduated 295 seniors. Ninety-five percent of SVTHS graduates were either employed in their area of expertise or pursuing higher education in the fall of 2008. In addition, one percent entered the military forces and four percent were employed in other trade areas.

The SVTHS faculty is an exceptional group of talented academic and vocational technical educators who are highly qualified to teach in their respective disciplines and occupational areas. SVTHS employs 135 full-time teachers as well as 15 para-professionals. Of those full-time teachers, there are 11 department chairs and 15 lead teachers. All SVTHS teachers exhibit the character, health, personality and professional competency worthy of serving the needs of District students.

Executive Summary

MCAS results for SVTHS were outstanding. Due to the phenomenal dedication of our teachers, combined with superior student effort, SVTHS continued to achieve one of the highest MCAS state-wide passing scores of ninety-nine percent. The percentage of sophomores scoring in the advanced and proficient levels continued to improve since the inception of the MCAS exams.

Student MCAS Performance for Sophomores at SVTHS
(Note - Special Education population ranges from 27% to 32% of classes)

	English Language Arts			**Math**		
	Passing	Advanced	Proficient	Passing	Advanced	Proficient
2004	94%	3%	50%	91%	8%	35%
2005	92%	8%	53%	89%	13%	44%
2006	97%	4%	66%	88%	21%	41%
2007	97%	10%	60%	95%	25%	40%
2008	99%	13%	68%	99%	36%	40%

The average daily student attendance rate improved for the fifth year in a row. Impressive student attendance displays a passion for learning and commitment to education. Moreover, SVTHS's drop out rate was significantly below the state-wide average of 3.8% for other Massachusetts high schools.

Average Daily Student Attendance		Drop-Out Data	
2003-2004	93.8%	2002-2003	1.2%
2004-2005	94.5%	2003-2004	0.9%
2005-2006	95.2%	2004-2005	1.5%
2006-2007	95.5%	2005-2006	0.8%
2007-2008	95.6%	2006-2007	0.2%
2008-present	96.2%	2007-2008	1.3%

The SVTHS Construction Cluster, led by department chair James Sullivan, entered a three-year contract with the Greater Lowell Habitat for Humanity. This contract ensures the restoration of a circa 1800 Farmhouse and the building of eight green technology affordable homes for the community of Bedford by Shawsheen students.

For the sixth time in the past seven years, the SVTHS athletic program was awarded the highly esteemed Markham Award from the *Boston Globe* in recognition of the most outstanding vocational technical high school sports program in the state of Massachusetts.

A highlight for the 2007-2008 year for SVTHS was the induction of the first members to our Alumni Association Hall of Fame. There was a gala induction event held at the Tewksbury Country Club in the fall of 2008.

Academic Programs

Curriculum Revision: SVTHS redesigned its Biology curriculum to align to the Massachusetts Biology *Frameworks*. The revision creates a two-year course that addresses each of the six standards promulgated by the Department of Secondary and Elementary Education (DESE) and pays increased attention to laboratory activity.

Anticipating the advent of the History MCAS test, members of SVTHS's Social Studies Department are paralleling the biology curriculum revision. During the 2008-2009 school year, SVTHS will explore the feasibility of implementing a two-year History course aligned with the Massachusetts *Frameworks*.

In addition to these standards-driven revisions, members of the Physical Education/Health faculty have recently updated that department's curriculum to maximize the instructional activity conducted in SVTHS's state-of-the-art Fitness Center.

SVTHS also redesigned its History curriculum to align to the *Frameworks* promulgated by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). The revision creates a two-year course that addresses the *Frameworks'* 74 standards, along with its concepts and skills, paying increased attention to primary-source documents. Toward this instructional goal, the Social Studies Department has adopted the Holt (2005) Call to Freedom text along with ancillary materials to accommodate differentiated instruction.

In a separate accommodation to a recent DESE mandate, SVTHS is developing an Educational Proficiency Plan and a developmentally appropriate grade 12 mathematics course for any senior who has not achieved proficiency on the MCAS mathematics test.

MCAS Performance: In the spring 99 percent of SVTHS's tenth graders passed both the English Language Arts (310 of 314) and Mathematics (309 of 312) MCAS tests. Eighty-two percent (256 of 314) of SVTHS's sophomores scored within the proficient or advanced range on the English Language Arts test and a noteworthy 36 percent (113 of 312) scored within the advanced range on the Mathematic test. These results, which satisfied state-mandated criteria for Annual Yearly Progress, represent best-ever performances by SVTHS sophomores. In addition, 98 percent (307 of 314) of SVTHS's sophomores passed the Biology MCAS test by the spring of 2008.

New Staff: In the fall SVTHS hired three academic teachers to fill existing vacancies. Ms. Aimee Sueltenfuss joined the Science Department to assist in the implementation of the recently revised two-year Biology curriculum; Mr. Brian McCarthy joined the Social Studies Department and Ms. Kerry O'Brien, who recently served as a long-term substitute, joined the English Department. In addition, Ms. Faith Young joined the staff as a Title-One mathematics aide, replacing the recently retired Jo Nagy.

Summer School: In the summer of 2008, the SVTHS Summer Program returned to Cook Street, following its 2007 hiatus to the Locke Middle School, to accommodate the installation of a new roof. SVTHS enrolled approximately 160 students from ten surrounding school systems in 26 courses during the summer of 2008. Individuals seeking summer school information should contact Dr. Robert Kanellas, Director of Academic Programs, at 978-671-3640.

Infrastructure Renovations: The extensive summer renovations to the school's infrastructure included, in part, the installation of ceiling-mounted LED projectors and white boards in many academic classrooms, the remodeling and air conditioning of two mathematics and two science classrooms, the re-carpeting of the school library and the remodeling and air-conditioning of the pool locker rooms.

Support Services

The SVTHS Support Services Department services the sixth largest population of students with special needs in Massachusetts. Our school has the highest graduation rate in the state for schools with nearly one hundred Special Education students in each grade. The graduation average for students on Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) at SVTHS is 90.2 percent as compared to the state average of 61.1 percent. SVTHS's success on the MCAS has continued as a result of a "team" effort on the part of Academic, Vocational/Technical and Support Services staff to address the needs of our Special Education population. With over 30 percent of our students being diagnosed with special needs, our passing rates as a school were over 90 percent on English Language Arts, Mathematics and Biology. In addition to their work on MCAS, the Support Services staff has gone through extensive training to support and facilitate the development of IEPs for our special needs population. The school has also built and equipped a conference room in order to provide a dedicated space for the many meetings that are held as part of this process.

Building and Grounds

The SVTHS building underwent major repairs and upgrades. The school roof was replaced, as were 20 of the 26 heating, ventilation and air condition units. A new Energy Management System was purchased and there were major upgrades to the electrical system. A new gym floor was also installed.

The original project costs authorized by member towns for the aforementioned projects were $5.5 million. Actual project costs totaled $4.5 million. SVTHS issued General Obligation Bonds of $2,340,000, and received $2,160,082 from the Massachusetts School Building Authority to fund the project. The General Obligation Bonds received a low bid of 3.69% payable over nine years. Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical School District was one of the first school districts in the Commonwealth to be reimbursed by the newly formed Massachusetts School Building Authority.

The district also completed significant renovations to the pool locker room area. Member communities for local high school swim teams and the public at large use the pool facility extensively.

Clubs and Organizations

Student Council: The Ninth Annual Shawsheen Turkey Bowl, the much anticipated flag-football game between the junior and senior girls, was once again a successful holiday event, which raised approximately $600 and 20 cases of food for the Billerica Food Pantry. In addition, the Student

Council, under the direction of faculty advisor Ms. Ellen Mountain, continued its energetic recycling program throughout the year.

Drama Club: During the winter, members of the Drama Club, under the direction of Ms. Angela Caira and Mr. Timothy Woodward, staged a Night at the Grammys that featured, in part, performances from *Cher, Jordan Sparks, Josh Groban, Tim McGraw and the Backstreet Boys.* In the spring, this versatile troupe of performers staged an equally successful *Frankenstein* production in two acts.

Newspaper and Literary Magazine: On behalf of The New England Scholastic Press Association, Executive Director Helen Smith of Boston University's College of Communication awarded SVTHS's literary magazine *Ramblings* its Highest Achievement Journalism Award in Scholastic Editing and Publishing. This distinguished regional award recognized the special talents of the SVTHS students who supplied the content and designed the layout of the annual publication under the supervision of Mrs. Leah Marquis of the English Department and Mr. Doug Michaud of the Technical Illustration/Commercial Art shop.

Oratory Club: Sara Pietila, a 12th grade Health student from Billerica, placed first at the District level in the Voice of Democracy Speech Contest sponsored by VFW Post 2597 of Pinehurst.

Alumni Club: Throughout the 2006-07 school year, faculty advisor Gail Poulten and her committees established a network of alumni from SVTHS's 35 graduating classes. That network, published in the inaugural edition of the *Shawsheen Alumni Directory*, supported the more recent planning for yet another inaugural task, the formation of an Alumni Hall of Fame. By the conclusion of the 2007-2008 school year, plans for the Hall of Fame event were near complete. Any SVTHS alumni interested in working with Mrs. Poulten should contact her at gpoulten@shawsheen.tec.ma.us or 978-671-3584.

The Traveling Rams: For the inaugural event of the newly formed Rams International Travel club, dubbed The Traveling Rams, faculty advisor Ms. Kristin Sciacca ushered 40 students and 5 chaperones along educational tours of Venice, Florence and Rome and, upon the group's return, enthusiastically began planning a return trip to Greece and Italy in the spring of 2009.

Parent Advisory Council: Once again, graduation day culminated in a well-attended all-night party sponsored and organized by the SVTHS Parent Advisory Council under the direction of its faculty advisor, Mr. Ronald Fusco, and its chair and SVTHS alumna, Mrs. Robin Sgrosso.

Athletics

More than 450 students participated in interscholastic athletics capturing the Commonwealth Athletic Conference Championships in golf, volleyball, boys ice hockey, boys basketball, baseball, softball and boys lacrosse. The Rams also captured state vocational titles in football, girls soccer, boys ice hockey, girls basketball and girls swimming. The overall winning percentage of the varsity teams, eleven of whom qualified for post-season play, ranked among the highest in school history. Dozens of SVTHS athletes were honored with All-Star recognition by either the Commonwealth Athletic Conference or the Lowell Sun. In addition, SVTHS's Dean of Students, Mr. Chet Flynn, was honored by the Lowell Sun as its volleyball Coach of the Year.

For an unprecedented sixth time in seven years, SVTHS has earned the Markham Award from *The Boston Globe* for the most outstanding vocational technical high school sports program in Massachusetts. The award is a reflection of the commitment and talent of all those associated with the SVTHS athletic program.

Community Services

Adult Evening School: The Adult Evening School offered a wide variety of vocational/technical courses for adults interested in expanding their knowledge and skills. Courses are offered during both the fall and spring semesters, with enrollment exceeding five hundred adult learners during the past year. Interested residents should contact Carissa Karakaedos, Director of Community Services, at 978-671-3607 for information and/or a brochure.

School of Practical Nursing: The 2007-2008 year graduated 35 Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN). Since its inception, a total of 457 students have successfully continued on to rewarding careers as Licensed Practical Nurses. This intense ten-month program offers a combination of evening and weekend coursework and clinical externship experiences. Preparation for the state LPN exam is also included. Residents interested in applying to the LPN program are urged to contact the Director of the School of Practical Nursing, Ms. Patricia Noonan, at 978-671-3646.

Project Explore: Nearly 500 middle school students from the District participated in after school career awareness activities during the 2008 winter semester. Students explored a variety of career path options. This program is coordinated in conjunction with the middle school guidance counselors. For registration materials or general information, please contact Carissa Karakaedos at 978-671-3607. The program is free of charge. Busing is provided by SVTHS.

Swim Program: SVTHS offered several high-quality swim programs during the 2007-2008 year in its Olympic sized, recently renovated, swimming pool, with its newest addition of water aerobics two nights a week. The Shawsheen pool also serves as the home site for Interscholastic High School swim teams from the Billerica, Bedford and Burlington public schools. Individuals seeking swim program information should contact Ms. Jill Branley, Aquatic Director, at 978-671-3699.

Billerica House of Correction: The Billerica House of Correction (BHOC) recently hired an Education Director to lead its current initiatives beyond the already established Culinary Arts program. SVTHS continues to collaborate through the Director of Community Services, Carissa Karakaedos, with BHOC to expand its educational goals to inmates. SVTHS looks forward to maintaining its relationship with BHOC by providing technical assistance and end-of-course assessment services that will validate inmate achievement of the course objectives.

Middlesex Community College: SVTHS continued its partnership with the Hospitality Management Department of Middlesex Community College to deliver four courses at SVTHS as part of the requirements for its Culinary Arts Certificate or Associates in Science Degree option. Student enrollment is strong and the program receives exemplary student evaluations. Discussions to expand technical course offerings are currently being explored by the Middlesex Community College Hospitality Dean and SVTHS Director of Community Services, Carissa Karakaedos.

Non-Traditional by Gender Advisory Committee: The SVTHS Non-traditional by Gender Advisory Committee entered its second year to support initiatives for students enrolled in occupational areas that are non-traditional by gender. The committee is led by a chair overseeing four SVTHS teachers and staff including two vocational teachers, one academic teacher and a support staff involved in the Gay/Straight Alliance. The committee planned activities and community events to commence during our 8th Grade Career Night and Community Open House.

Computer Services

Student Information System: The Computer Services staff completed the 2008 Academic School Year using "iPASS" (Internet Pupil Administrative Software System) to meet all Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and district reporting requirements. In May, the freshmen entered into their permanent shop placement and the 2008-2009 scheduling process started for all students. During the summer, Computer Services helped complete all academic students scheduling, ninth grade exploratory scheduling and the customized "welcome back to school" letters to parents. In October, Computer Services added the class of 2012 to Parent Access Manager. Use of the iPASS Parent Access Manager has increased from 25% in 2004, 53% in 2005,

parents this year. The Parent Access Manager allows parents to view up-to-date information on their children in the areas of attendance, grades, schedules and discipline information. From October through December, Computer Services completed the annual Education Personnel Information Management System data collection project for the Department of Education as well as the annual Technology Report.

Computer Network: During 2008, computer labs for Electronics, Business Technology, Graphic Arts and Commercial Art & Design received new computer upgrades, LCD displays and network switches as needed. In addition, computer labs in the school received new hard disk images to refresh and update the computers with required software. During the spring and fall the four-year computer technology replacement plan was reviewed and updated for new technology needs and approved by the SVTHS's Technology Committee. During the summer the department purchased and installed a new SAN (Storage Area Network) as part of the long-term capacity planning process.

Applications: The Computer Services staff started working with the Support Services department to introduce the new eSped software for tracking Individualized Education Plans. The department also started working with the Vocational Director to introduce the new VTCTS (Vocational Technical Competency Tracking System) to the vocational staff. By the end of 2008, the Computer Services staff installed and introduced Office 2007 to the Business Technology Department as well as the clerical and administrative staff.

Guidance

Admissions: SVTHS implemented a new admissions policy including an interview component. This change provides students with an opportunity to participate and impact their admissions score.

College and Career Planning: The new Career Planning program engages every SVTHS student in the creation of a personalized career plan. The program is web based and accessible outside of school. College, career, financial aid and personal goal settings are all part of the new program. Almost 60% of the graduating class went on to college after graduation.

Citizenship Award recipient Keighla Dalton (2009) with Dean of Students Chet Flynn, her mom, Shawsheen Tech alum Nancy Dillon (1990) and Superintendent Charles Lyons.

Scholarships and Awards: Local community organizations and SVTHS affiliates contributed approximately $84,000 in scholarships this past year. SVTHS also saw an increase in Abigail and John Adams Scholarship award winners from 47 to 66 for this year's graduating seniors.

Cooperative Education Program: One hundred forty (140) students participated in Cooperative Education in 2008. Cooperative Education placement resulted in a number of permanent jobs in their field for roughly 40% of the graduates.

School Council

An important agency of school governance, the 2007-2008 SVTHS School Council is made up of three parents: Co-chair Kenneth Miano of Tewksbury, Jean Perry of Burlington and Joanne Barry of Billerica, two community members: Bob Lazott of Billerica and Cosmo Ciccariello of Burlington, two SVTHS faculty members: Robert Roach and Jason Tildsley and co-chaired by Dr. Robert E. Cunningham, Assistant Superintendent-Director/Prinicpal.

The three primary functions of the school council are to meet with the Superintendent-Director when he presents the school budget, to make additions and revisions to the SVTHS Student Handbook and to develop the annual School Improvement Plan.

Technical Programs

Skills USA: Skills USA Massachusetts is a national organization preparing America's high performance workers in programs, including occupational and leadership skills. Earning several gold medals at the State level, 10 SVTHS students, competing in five contests, placed in the top ten for nine of their participants at the National Competition in Kansas City.

National Accreditation: Of SVTHS's 19 vocational programs, twelve are nationally accredited. These programs include in part Automotive Technology, Automotive Collision, Machine Technology, Metal Fabrication, Culinary, Graphic Communication, Drafting, Diesel Technology, HVAC and Health Technology.

Transportation Cluster

Automotive: Recently the *Automotive Service Excellence* (ASE) institute recognized Mr. Benjamin Hurley and Mr. Richard Lavoie for being Master Tech Certified for over 25 years of service.

The auto tech program, through the capital budget process, will be acquiring a new, technologically advanced Hunter TCX 500 Tire Machine and a Geneses Computer Scanner Analyzer.

Auto Body: Newly hired instructor, Mr. Eric Silverio, brings a wealth of talent as he has developed new projects that incorporate custom painting into the curriculum. Through lead teacher Mr. David Lelievre's professional development, the I-CAR curriculum is now being implemented in all grade levels.

To maintain a safe environment, two portable ventilators were purchased from the safety budget. A Sata fresh air supply paint mask has also been added. In addition, the shop updated its appearance through a new sink, painted walls and new floor.

In continuing to build community relations, the auto body students worked on two Tewksbury Police vehicles.

Diesel: With the closing of Iverson Ford, a local dealership, their entire Ford Repair Manual Library was donated to SVTHS's Diesel program, providing an immense resource. Through the capital budget process via a recommendation from the Diesel Advisory committee, the program will acquire a new MODUS electronic scan tool unit with CAN capabilities. Restoring a plow and truck for the Boy Scouts of America and a tractor for the Shriner's Burn Center were two community service jobs completed by SVTHS Diesel students.

Service Cluster

Health Services & Technology: The Health Services and Technology Program's curriculum continues to be enhanced, adding new activities to expose students to careers in Biotechnology, Fingerprinting and Hemoglobin Electrophoresis. These activities were added after SVTHS was awarded the Bio-Teach Grant to introduce students to the field of biotechnology. The grant's Boston University City Lab will be visiting SVTHS in January 2009, where health technology and science classes will participate in various biotechnology labs.

Through a generous donation, the Health Technology Department acquired six hospital beds from New England Rehabilitation of Woburn. The program also purchased six mannequins, along with an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) trainer, through grant funding.

The Health Technology program continues to sponsor community blood drives and maintains outstanding success this year drawing over 50 pints of blood.

Culinary: After 30 years of service in the Bakery, Mr. Gary Levin retired. Mr. Gerry Perriello now instructs the Bakery program, while Mrs. Margaret Costello teaches in the kitchen area. Mr. Brian Considine, a former student of SVTHS, was hired as the new Dining Room supervisor.

Through the capital budget process and the recommendations of the craft advisory board, the Culinary program purchased a walk-in refrigerator freezer combination for the kitchen area, along with a new steam table and dining room china.

Community service activities included a retreat in Vermont for a weekend to New England Culinary Institute, participation in a Boston food show and reception and selling Billerica Food Pantry pies for people in need. In addition, Mrs. Costello volunteered a few weeks this summer to help build homes in New Orleans for Hurricane Katrina victims.

Cosmetology: The Cosmetology program once again graduated all its 2008 seniors with licensure from the Massachusetts State Board of Cosmetology exam.

The students visited the Burlington Towers Senior Center and Life Care Nursing Home, giving manicures and hairstyles to the senior citizens for the holidays. Students also visited the Bedford and Billerica Senior Centers giving the elderly a day of beauty.

Through the capital budget process, the Cosmetology program received funding for renovations, including freshly painted walls, a new floor, dispensary, faucet, refaced cabinets with a new countertop, reception desk, skin room facial bed, magnifying light, utility table, wax warmer and facial steamer.

Construction Cluster

In addition to enhancing the current curriculum, the construction cluster entered a three-year contract with the Greater Lowell Habitat for Humanity. This agreement will oversee a cul-de-sac of green technology homes to be built, along with the restoration of a circa 1800's Farmhouse, all located in Bedford, Massachusetts.

Community service projects encompassed several jobs on a house in Wilmington; a wiring job completed by the Electrical program, the HVAC program designed and installed a dual heating and cooling fresh air system and the construction of a 30 foot, 2-flu chimney and 40 foot retaining wall by masonry. In addition, Masonry continues to construct a handicap-access playground in Burlington. Through the capital budget process, Carpentry will acquire new staging, air compressor system and air guns. The Electrical and HVAC departments will acquire a new enclosed work trailer.

SVTHS's construction cluster continues to maintain its affiliations with local unions.

Arts and Communication Services Cluster

Business Technology: The Business Technology program prepares students for industry required exams and certifications. Five seniors passed their Microsoft Office Specialist Exam for Word 2003 in the spring of 2008.

Business Professionals of America (BPA) is a student organization that prepares a world-class workforce through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic and technological skills. Two SVTHS Business students were elected to official positions, state president and vice president of the Massachusetts chapter. During the BPA State competition, one of the Business students won first place in Reno, Nevada for prepared speech.

Over the summer, the program acquired all new computers implementing Microsoft Office 2007 software.

Informational Support Services & Networking: The Informational Support Services & Networking program now offers students the opportunity to attain an international certification: Comptia A+ Certification. The program also added an iJava online course sponsored by UMass Amherst where students receive credits via UMass Amherst.

Community services projects included web sites for Billerica Partners for Education www.BPED.org and the Billerica Scholarship Organization www.Billericascholarship.org and a visit to Billerica Access Television (BATV).

Design & Visual Communications: With the expansion of the Design & Visual Communication program, SVTHS hired graduate, Mr. Greg Bendel. Program renovations included a new server with an up-graded networking system, additional workstations, upgrading the electrical service and setting up and loading new computers, printers and a scanner.

Community service jobs included design/sign work for a local skating arena, Shawsheen Community Open House, brochures and posters, completion of alumni design projects, Traveling Rams Italy poster and postcards and Skills USA participation in pin design.

Graphic Communications: The Graphic Arts program continues to grow its positive community relationship via printing work. Some of the work includes letterheads, envelopes, flyers, parent/teacher newsletters, yearbooks, directories, Tax Department and Assessor's Office mailings, Police, Fire and Public Works Department forms, posters and memo pads. In addition, SVTHS's Graphics program received the "Cameron Cup" award for service by the Council on Aging.

Electro/Mechanical Cluster

Computer Aided Design & Drafting: On December 5, 2008 the Drafting program earned its second certification from the American Design Drafting Association, *Apprentice Drafter Architectural.* Currently SVTHS is the only vocational technical high school in Massachusetts to hold certifications in both Technical Drafting and Architectural Drafting. With the expansion of the program Mrs. Stacy Gerace has been hired as a full-time instructor.

The Drafting students continued to gain valuable experience by working on community projects such as the second floor design of the Wilmington house project, Handicap Maze Design for Burlington (in process), drawing support for the Habitat Project and the National Honor Society Candle Display weldment (in process).

A competitive Perkins Grant was awarded to the Drafting program this year to purchase a Z-Corp 3-D printer recommended by the Craft Advisory Board. In addition, the capital budget process provided an update to the AutoCAD 2009 and Pro/Engineer Wildfire Softwares. Thirty-six chairs and six new computers were also purchased.

Electronics: Mr. John Antonetti was hired this fall, bringing over thirty years of experience to the program. In an effort to move forward with 21st century technological skills, the Electronics program started an after school Robotics club. The club will be entering two First Tech Challenge (FTC) competitions in February and March 2009. In addition, several senior students designed and built a Van DeGraff generator that will be used to demonstrate the principles of static electricity to freshmen students.

Machine Technology: The Machine Technology program entered into a dual-enrollment agreement with Central Maine Community College. Eighty-six percent of the senior class participated in the agreement and received college credits. Five students also received Engineering Project Certificate of Completion from Wentworth Institute of Technology and the Museum of Science.

Over the summer the machine shop equipment was rebuilt to new condition, which included a 13" South Bend Lathe and a cut-off saw.

Metal Fabrication and Welding: Students of the Metal Fabrication program participated in the Construction Career Day at the Labors Union Hall in Hopkinton. The class also visited the Sheet Metal Workers Local 17 in Dorchester and was chosen to host an annual open house for the Boston Chapter of American Welding Society.

Through the capital budget process and recommendations of the Craft Advisory Board, the programs have acquired CNC Plasma-Cam Cutting system and 2 Lincoln Flux core Mig Welders.

Conclusion and Acknowledgement

The SVTHS Committee, staff and students gratefully appreciate the support that they receive from the residents of the 5-member District. The SVTHS family especially acknowledges the continued financial support of the local Town Managers, Finance Committees and Town Meetings, which collectively ensure and perpetuate the highest quality in vocational/technical training opportunities for area youth.

The District is grateful for the significant contributions provided by SVTHS staff and employees and acknowledges the many contributions of the SVTHS staff who retired during 2008. Those retirees are: Floyd Newbegin, Autobody; George Caron, Diesel Shop Aide; Josephine Nagy, English Department Aide; and Gary Levin, Bakery Instructor.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning & Conservation Department

In 2008, the department continued providing a high level of service to the community in the areas of planning, conservation, housing, transportation and other community development activities. Staff support is provided to the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Housing Partnership, Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee and the Zoning Board of Appeals for Comprehensive Permits. The Planning Board is responsible for administration of the Subdivision Control Act and Site Plan Review, issuance of Special Permits for Conservation Subdivisions, Chapter 81G road improvement projects, Over-55 housing, multi-family units in the Central Business District and lots having less than 10,000 square feet of land; recommendations on zoning amendments, cases before the Board of Appeals and specific planning studies. The Conservation Commission is responsible for wetlands protection in accordance with the State Wetlands Protection Act. The Commission is also responsible for management of the Town's Open Space Land and for acquiring additional land for passive recreation. The Housing Partnership continued efforts to provide affordable housing for Wilmington residents through local initiatives and partnerships with private developers. The activities of each board are described in more detail below.

Departmental goals are:

1. To provide technical assistance to the Planning Board in its review of subdivision and site plans.
2. To provide technical assistance to the Conservation Commission in administration and enforcement of the State Wetlands Protection Act, its associated regulations and Conservation Commission policies.
3. To provide coordinated review of development plans through the Community Development Technical Review team.
4. To provide assistance and information to residents.
5. To undertake implementation of priority recommendations of the Master Plan.
6. To implement recommendations of the Planned Production Plan for affordable housing.
7. To implement stormwater management recommendations of the Comprehensive Water Resources Management Plan.
8. To undertake other strategic planning efforts, as applicable.

9. To revise the zoning by-laws and zoning map to enhance the character of the town, consistent with the Master Plan.
10. To update the Subdivision Rules and Regulations to improve the development review process and the quality of development, consistent with the Master Plan.
11. To implement recommendations of the Open Space and Recreation Plan.
12. To implement suggested improvements to the Town Forest based on the Town Forest Plan.
13. To encourage the donation of land for conservation purposes.
14. To promote environmental awareness and education.
15. To promote environmental stewardship.
16. To review 40B projects and provide input to the Board of Appeals.
17. To provide technical assistance to the Housing Partnership, including initiation and implementation of affordable housing efforts, monitoring of on-going developments and review of projects sponsored by developers.
18. To develop and implement community development programs, including the Community Development Block Grant Program.
19. To represent the Town of Wilmington on planning issues at various state and regional forums.

Carole Hamilton is the Director of Planning and Conservation. She staffs the Planning Board and Housing Partnership. She chairs the Community Development Technical Review Team and the Property Review Board, coordinating the review of development projects and the disposition of town-owned land. She serves as the point person for review of 40B affordable housing projects and provides input to the Board of Appeals. The Director serves as the representative to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) and the North Suburban Planning Council (NSPC), acting as the liaison between the town and the state on transportation and planning issues.

Winifred McGowan serves as the Assistant Director of Planning & Conservation and provides technical assistance to the Conservation Commission and the department on wetland and environmental issues. Michael C. Vivaldi serves as Assistant Planner. Senior Clerks Cheryl Licciardi and Joann Roberto provide administrative support.

Special Projects:

Town Forest Improvement Project

The Town Forest Improvement Plan is intended to expand the accessibility and enjoyment of the Town Forest as a passive recreational resource, while providing for the proper stewardship of the Town Forest as a vibrant, diverse, living ecosystem. The Plan details the natural resources within the forest and presents a preliminary plan for developing the public trail system and improved parking.

Open Space and Recreation Plan Update

The Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan is mandated to be updated every five years and the Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee was re-established in 2006 for that purpose. During the winter, public meetings will be held for review of the updated plan. A final document is expected to be ready for submission in early summer. Judy Waterhouse is the Chairman Members are Betty Bigwood, C. Michael Burns, Francis Dellapelle, Michael Fay, Richard Grinder, Jeffrey Hull, Kenneth Lifton, Mark Nasiff, Beverly Shea and Martha Stevenson. William Hooper, Jr. resigned during the year. Louis Cimaglia serves as Liaison for the Board of Selectmen. Winifred McGowan, Assistant Director of Planning and Conservation, provides staff support.

Planning Board

The responsibilities of the Planning Board include review of subdivision and "Approval Not Required" plans; review of commercial and industrial site plans; issuance of special permits for Conservation Subdivisions, multi-family units in the Central Business District, Over-55 housing, lots having less than 10,000 square feet and Chapter 81G roadway improvements; recommendations to the Board of Appeals on variances and special permits; strategic and comprehensive planning; zoning amendments and implementation of the Master Plan.

The Planning Board members are appointed by the Town Manager for five-year terms. Planning Board members are Michael Sorrentino (Chairman), Ann Yurek (Clerk), Randi Holland, Brian Corrigan and James Banda, Jr.

Subdivision Control

Under the authority vested in the Planning Board of the Town of Wilmington by M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 81-Q, the Board reviewed one conventional subdivision with three lots. No conservation subdivisions were reviewed.

Conventional Subdivision	# Lots	Action
Rhode Island Road	3	Approved with conditions

Twelve (12) "Approval Not Required" (ANR) plans were submitted. The Planning Board determined that all twelve (12) plans did not require approval under the Subdivision Control Law and were endorsed. While the majority of the plans were lot line readjustments that did not create any new building lots, one plan created six new lots and another combined two lots, creating one lot.

Site Plan Review

Sovereign Bank under construction on Main Street.

Eighteen (18) new site plan review applications for commercial and industrial projects were submitted. The Planning Board approved thirteen (13) projects with conditions, one of which was carried over from 2007; two were withdrawn, one was denied for insufficient information and four others are pending. The sites are generally spread around town. A proposal originally submitted for Dunkin Donuts in North Wilmington was withdrawn from a site adjacent to the train stop and moved across the street to the Channel Building site. A mixed-use building on Church Street across from the Post Office was approved for retail and apartment use. Many proposals were for minor additions to existing structures. One industrial building on Ballardvale Street, which proposed a minor modification to its building, required some substantial re-grading to the parking lot. The Planning Board and Conservation Commission worked with the developer to include several low impact development techniques in the redesign of the parking area. Sheet run-off from the parking area into a large detention pond created when Route 93 was constructed was either eliminated and infiltrated on site or cleaned prior to discharge. The detention pond has become home to several species including families of mallard ducks. Porous pavers were used in several areas of the parking lot to allow additional water to infiltrate directly into the ground. Pending applications include a site originally proposed for a Target store and redevelopment of the neighborhood businesses at the corner of Hopkins Street and Shawsheen Avenue.

Zoning

In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40A, the Planning Board held required statutory public hearings on proposed amendments to the Zoning By-law and Map and submitted formal reports and recommendations to Town Meeting voters. Those recommendations are included in this Annual Report under "Town Meeting."

Conservation Commission

The Wilmington Conservation Commission is charged with upholding the interests of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act. The Commission received 84 filings for activities under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection (M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40 and its regulations at 310 CMR 10.00) in 2006.

Wilmington has an abundance of these wetland resource areas, including banks, bordering vegetated wetlands (swamps, marshes, etc.), land under water bodies and riverfront areas. Activities reviewed by the Commission can include tree removal and landscaping and construction of houses, driveways, additions, septic systems and subdivision roadways/utilities/drainage systems within 100 feet of the above resource areas or 200 feet of a perennial stream. Work within bordering land subject to flooding (floodplain) is also subject to the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission. Each filing involves one or, in some cases, multiple public hearings before the Commission. The Commission seeks to work through the permitting process with the applicant to provide protection of the public and private water supply as well as groundwater supply, provide flood control, prevent storm damage and pollution and protect wildlife habitats. Residents are encouraged to attend and provide comment relative to work near wetland resource areas. The hearings are generally held on the first and third Wednesday of each month. The agenda for hearings can be accessed at www.town.wilmington.ma.us/old/conserve.htm.

When the Wilmington Conservation Commission was originally formed in 1964, its purpose was to inventory, promote, develop and conserve the town's natural resources. Today, the primary responsibility of the Conservation Commission is the administration and enforcement of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, (310 CMR) leaving little time to actually acquire and manage open space. With funding from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Conservation Commission oversees a management plan for the Town Forest. Implementing effective forest management strategies are the Commission's goals. The significant size of the parcel (154 acres) and the fact that most of it is a scenic forested upland make it a very promising site for passive recreational activities such as hiking, horseback riding, picnicking, bicycling, cross-country skiing, birding and photography. With the access road and parking area, the forest is accessible to residents.

During the summer, the Commission utilized the services of a college intern to inventory parcels of land under the care and custody of the Commission establishing the current condition of the parcels; listing formal and informal trails as well as natural features of interest; and noting observations of intrusion such as dumping. Additionally, a stewardship program is being developed to ask for volunteers interested in overseeing these parcels. Additional information on this program will be circulated during the spring and summer of 2009.

Conservation Commissioners are appointed to three-year terms by the Town Manager. Citizens serving on the Commission in 2008 were: Chairman Beverly Shea, Vice Chairman Vincent Licciardi, Frank Ingram, Mario Marchese, Donald Pearson, Thomas Siracusa and Judy Waterhouse. Any questions about wetlands, laws and regulations, or filing procedures should be directed to Winifred McGowan, Assistant Director of Planning & Conservation.

Statistical Data

Filing Fees Collected	$13,310.00
Notices of Intent Filed	49
Requests for Determinations of Applicability	33
Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation Issued/Pending	2/0
Public Hearings/Meetings Held (including continuances)	151
Extension Permits Issued/Denied	20/0
Enforcement Orders Issued	11
Violation Notices Issued	34
Certificates of Compliance Issued/Denied	29/4
Decisions Appealed/Withdrawn	3/0
Order of Conditions Issued/Denied/Pending	49/3/1
Emergency Certifications Issued	8
Request for Insignificant Change Approved/Denied	11/1
Negative Determination/Pending	32/0
Positive Determination/Withdrawn/Pending	0
Request for Amendments/Issued/Withdrawn/Pending	0/0/0/0
Acres of Land Acquired	4.05

Housing Partnership

The Housing Partnership continued to be active considering opportunities to provide affordable housing for Wilmington residents.

As affordable housing efforts have resulted in achieving 9.97% affordability, the Partnership, this year, has been involved in developing guidelines for developers interested in continuing to provide affordable housing. The guidelines set out criteria for affordable housing developments that reflect goals of the Master Plan; small scale development that preserves community character, adjacency to transportation nodes, single family homes as opposed to multi-family development. It is the Partnership's intent that these guidelines assist developers by identifying the types, sizes and attributes of affordable housing development most compatible to existing neighborhoods throughout the community, thereby allowing the developer to have the highest expectation of a positive response from the Boards and Commissions offering recommendations to the Board of Selectmen and then the Board of Appeals on affordable housing proposals.

Housing Partnership members are Chairman Raymond Forest, Gregory Erickson, John Goggin, Cynthia McCue and Lester White. Raymond Lepore serves as Liaison for the Board of Selectmen. The Partnership meets the second Wednesday of the month and welcomes the attendance of interested residents. Michael Vivaldi, Assistant Planner, serves as staff support to the Partnership.

The Director of Planning & Conservation is the point person for review of 40B proposals and serves as staff support on these applications to the Board of Appeals.

Metropolitan Area Planning Council

Created in 1963, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) promotes inter-local cooperation and advocates for smart growth by working closely with cities and towns, state and federal agencies, non-profit institutions and community-based organizations in the 101 cities and towns of Metropolitan Boston. MAPC strives to provide leadership on emerging issues of regional significance by conducting research, building coalitions and acting as a regional forum for action.

MAPC provides technical assistance and specialized services in land use planning, water resources management, transportation, housing, environmental protection, economic development, public safety, geographic information systems (GIS), collective purchasing, data analysis and research, legislative and regulatory policy and the facilitation and support of inter-local partnerships. More information is available at www.mapc.org.

MAPC is governed by 101 municipal government appointees, 21 gubernatorial appointees and 13 appointees of state and City of Boston agencies. An Executive Committee comprising 25 elected members oversees agency operations. The agency employs approximately 40 professional staff under the leadership of an executive director. Funding for MAPC activities is derived from governmental contracts and foundation grants and a per-capita assessment on member municipalities.

To better serve the people who live and work in Metro Boston, MAPC has divided the region into eight subregions. Each subregion is overseen by a council of local leaders and stakeholders and a staff coordinator provides organizational and technical staff support.

North Suburban Planning Council

(Burlington, Lynnfield, North Reading, Reading, Stoneham, Wakefield, Wilmington, Winchester, Woburn)

The North Suburban Planning Council began 2008 with several transportation related topics including a presentation on the MAPC Parking Tool Kit and a discussion of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The February meeting was focused on an overview of best management practices for streamlined local permitting as well as zoning reform.

The TIP and UPWP were discussed over the course of several meetings and NSPC prepared review letters on both of those documents.

The April meeting was a special region workshop devoted to stormwater management and low impact development. This meeting included case studies as well as information on by-laws.

In May, the Central Transportation Planning Staff (CTPS) held a Walkable Communities workshop in Stoneham. This workshop was well attended and included a walk of several blocks in Stoneham center to illustrate common issues for pedestrian safety. Upon returning to town hall, the participants worked together in groups to develop solutions to the issues just illustrated.

In July, NSPC made a site visit to the Residences at Martins Brook, which is the first phase of the 40R development on the former JT Berry site in Wilmington and North Reading. The project developers presented an overview of the development and the group walked the site to view some of the special site features and amenities.

The September meeting was devoted to a presentation by the Census Bureau on the early activities in preparation for the 2010 Census. A particular emphasis of this meeting was the importance of forming Complete Count Committees in each municipality.

In October, NSPC learned about the Regional Pedestrian Plan and the Bike Rack program. There was also a discussion about broadening participation in the subregion. The year ended with a discussion about the guidelines for the current round of District Local Technical Assistance grants and the availability of new oblique aerial imagery.

Middlesex Canal Commission

The Middlesex Canal Association (MCA) consists of approximately 250 dues paying members. All are welcome to join the Association. We host two walks, one in the spring and another in the fall and a bicycle ride along the canal. This year the town of Wilmington and city of Woburn were highlighted. These activities are becoming so popular that we are discussing doubling the events.

We were especially pleased when Marty Sabounjian, son of Libby Sabounjian, Chairman of the Wilmington Board of Health, earned his Eagle Scout badge by building a kiosk at the Town Park near the canal. He gave us a key enabling us to add information to the panel when appropriate. This was part of the program "Wilmington Walks" which encourages exercise and better health in our community.

There were three lectures: Nolan Jones, Chairman of the Middlesex Canal Association, spoke of their trip to ride the Warwickshire Canal Ring in SW England and the Falkirk Wheel in Scotland. This huge wheel is the tallest rotating boat lift in the world. The second lecture was by Lance Metz of the National Canal Museum. He brought recently acquired old films of the Delaware Canal in operation. Thomas Raphael gave his recent lecture to the SIA, an archeology group. The final meeting was an update of the entire Canal with aerial slides for recently notified abutters along the entire canal as part of the National Registry process. We feel that abutters play an enormous role in preserving the canal.

Three issues of "TowPath Topics" were sent out. Our education program continues to prosper with enormous help from Traci Jansen, our third grade teacher from the Woburn Street School who visited our Museum with students this spring. She is now working on a plan for the Billerica school system.

In October, we had a significant change occur. We are all volunteers and have had the pleasure of having our Museum at the Faulkner Mill in North Billerica free of charge since July 2001. The owner of the Museum feels it is now necessary to charge rent. In order to help pay this rent, we are opening the Museum and actively seeking companies or groups for regular or social events. If you are planning an event, please contact us at 978-670-2740.

The Middlesex Canal Commission consists of representatives appointed from each of the nine towns through which the canal traversed. Chairman Thomas Raphael, a retired Harvard trained engineer, has led a multi-town canal restoration project. The money for this endeavor will come from ISTEA/T21 money as part of the highway budget which states that 10% of money appropriated will go for landscaping and restoration of old methods of transportation such as lighthouses, trains and canals. With President Elect Obama's plan to increase the highway appropriation to stimulate our economy, we feel that we have the opportunity to obtain additional funds for these projects. Working with The Waterfield Design Group, Inc., a plan has been presented to the Town of Wilmington Board of Selectmen and the Community Development Technical Review Team to review. The section of canal under consideration consists of the area from the Maple Meadow Brook Aqueduct to Patches Pond which is owned by the MCA due to the generosity of Julia Fielding and Stanley Webber. We are asking the town to include the town-owned property from Patches Pond to Floradale Avenue over the wetlands where access will be gained by a conservation bridge and the section of canal in the Town Park which contains the famous Ox Bow turn. Details are being worked out for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

The final draft of the National Registry application has been reviewed by the Massachusetts Historical Commission and sent to Washington. Several sections of the canal are already on the National Register but this will contain the entire canal for posterity. It has been an enormous effort going through old records, since a canal no longer exists close to Boston. We have continued to work with the developers of the Boston Canal Street Project, but this bleak economy may put things on hold.

We welcome you to join our organization. Visit our web site: www.middlesexcanal.org

Middlesex Canal at Town Park.

Inspector of Buildings

The office of the Inspector of Buildings is responsible for enforcing the Commonwealth of Massachusetts building, plumbing, gas and wiring codes, the Town of Wilmington Zoning By-law and for maintaining all related records. In addition, all administrative tasks for the Board of Appeals are handled by this office.

The Inspector of Buildings is Al Spaulding; the Plumbing and Gas Inspector is Paul Raffi; the Wiring Inspector is Frederick Sutter. Toni LaRivee serves as the secretary for the Building Inspector's office and the Board of Appeals.

It is our goal to help people understand the regulations enforced by the Inspector of Buildings, how best to comply with those regulations and to provide assistance to residents and others who have questions about homes and property in the town. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

		2006		2007		2008
RESIDENTIAL	No.	Valuation	No.	Valuation	No.	Valuation
Single Family Dwellings	36	5,860,138	32	5,244,000	22	4,136,500
Additions	120	7,043,711	89	4,709,607	72	3,290,315
Remodeling	135	1,791,527	159	2,372,580	152	1,904,881
Utility Buildings	13	345,800	9	211,463	11	137,414
Pools	35	461,370	26	280,422	34	534,318
Miscellaneous	51	479,432	50	354,921	95	361,735
	390	15,981,978	365	13,172,993	386	10,365,163
COMMERCIAL						
New Buildings	10	3,084,100	15	24,505,344	6	13,426,947
Public Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0
Additions	2	294,000	1	56,000	2	1,436,419
Fitups	47	13,511,666	52	17,623,306	58	19,276,970
Utility Buildings	2	79,000	0	0	0	0
Signs	26	132,279	26	172,156	56	326,692
Miscellaneous	7	5,056,862	33	1,914,106	33	1,410,522
	164	22,157,885	127	44,270,912	155	35,877,550
TOTAL	554	38,139,885	492	57,443,905	541	46,242,713

REPORT OF FEES RECEIVED AND SUBMITTED TO TREASURER

Building Permits	554	384,925.00	492	565,596.37	541	487,640.00
Wiring Permits	590	85,445.00	649	102,867.86	582	90,148.00
Gas Permits	214	13,010.00	230	15,652.50	227	13,745.00
Plumbing Permits	307	30,455.00	317	42,685.00	296	43,770.00
Cert. of Inspection	30	1,333.00	31	1,428.00	47	6,161.00
Occupancy	120	6,120.00	89	4,450.00	96	4,700.00
Copies	0	40.20	0	82.70	0	307.55
Court	0	11.00	0	0	0	0
Industrial Elec. Permits	56	8,400.00	54	8,100.00	54	8,700.00
Board of Appeals Fees	61	5,965.00	46	5,144.00	41	3,900.00
	1,932	$535,704.20	1,908	$746,006.43	1,884	659,071.55

Case 1-08 355 Middlesex Avenue Map 79 Parcel 31

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.3a installation of two pylon signs for property located at 355 Middlesex Avenue.

Granted - two pylon signs no greater than 50 square feet combined with the stipulation the sign illumination would be on a timer, on at dusk and off ½ hour after the last tenant left for the evening.

Case 2-08 Daniel T. Hally Map 62 Parcel 37

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (extend shed dormer) for property located at 130 Federal Street.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming dwelling.

Case 3-08 Cynthia Jones Map 51 Parcel 47

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §4.2 accessory apartment addition for property located at 23 Adams Street.

Granted – meets the criteria of the By-law.

Case 4-08 Wilm. Main Rlty Ltd Partnership Map 43 Parcel 4

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.1 and §10.6 (wall sign) for property located at 271 Main Street.

Granted - increase the wall sign letters to 6 feet in height and eliminate the secondary signs.

Case 5-08 335-337 Main St. Wilm. LLC Map 42 Parcel 24

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.1a (wall signs) for property located at 335 Main Street.

Granted - increase the allowable wall signage to double the dimensions specified in the By-law with the condition that no individual sign will exceed the maximum allowed in the By-law.

Case 6-08 SW & Sprint Spectrum LP Map R3 Parcel 50B

To amend a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to install 3 additional WiMax panel antennas at the same height as the existing antennas together with ancillary equipment cabinets at the base of the tower for property located at 375 Ballardvale Street.

Granted – with the condition not to exceed 9 antennas.

Case 7-08 SW & Sprint Spectrum LP Map 40 Parcel 2A

To amend a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to add 3 additional WiMax panel antennas at the same height as the existing antennas together with 2 outdoor equipment cabinets within the fenced compound for property located at 625 Main Street.

Granted – with the condition not to exceed 12 antennas.

Case 8-08 Mark & John Murphy Map 8 Parcel 61A

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §4.2 accessory apartment for property located at 29 Winston Avenue.

Granted – meets the criteria of the By-law.

Case 9-08 Craig Hanson Map 59 Parcel 48

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (remove an existing deck and build a mudroom, farmer's porch and one-car garage) for property located on 20 Strout Avenue.

Granted – no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming dwelling with the condition – no closer than 15 feet from the side and 20 feet from the rear lot lines.

Case 10-08 Dennis Rooney Map 40 Parcel 141B

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §4.2 for an accessory apartment addition for property located on 36 Lowell Street.

Granted – meets the requirements of the By-law.

Case 11-08 Wilm. Main Rlty Ltd Partnership Map 43 Parcel 4

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.5.4 and §3.8.5 for a Limited Service Restaurant to be known as D'Angelo with 34 seats for property located on 271 Main Street.

Granted – 34 seats.

Case 12-08 Corporate Environmental Advisors Map 40 Parcel 5

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.3.1 to construct a treatment shed less than one foot from the side yard lot line and less than 8 feet from the front lot line for property located at 586 Main Street.

Granted - shed not to exceed 10 feet x 15 feet, 9 feet high with the 10 foot side parallel to the side lot line, no less than one foot from the side and 8 feet from the front lot lines, the unique circumstance and shape of the lot being the hardship.

Case 13-08 Bruce Amazeen c/o Jackson Bldrs. Map 32 Parcel 110

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (remove existing 12' x 20' garage and construct a new 16' x 22' garage) for property located on One Ferguson Road.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing dwelling.

Case 14-08 MMM Realty Trust Map 63 Parcel 5

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (remove and replace existing door enclosure) for property located on 187 Middlesex Avenue.

Granted - increase the nonconformity of the original structure and allow the existing entry addition to remain.

Case 15-08 Windsor Parking LLC c/o R. Peterson Map 73 Parcel 53 & 53B

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.4.6 to construct an assisted living facility on property located at 320-322 Lowell Street.

Granted – meets the criteria of the By-law.

Case 16-08 RCB Family Trust c/o D. Brown Map 6 Parcel 99

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (to remove existing dwelling and construct a new dwelling) for property located on 297 Burlington Avenue.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming structure.

Case 17-08 Raymond C. Ventura c/o D. Brown Map 69 Parcel 86

To acquire authorization in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 41,§81E to construct a single family dwelling on a lot located on a private way, existing, but not made part of the Official Map for property located on Lexington Street.

Granted - authorize the construction of a single family dwelling on a private way, existing, but not shown on the Official Map.

Case 18-08 4th of July Committee Map 63 Parcel 10

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §4.1.9 for a carnival to run from July 1 to July 6, 2008 for property located on 159 Church Street.

Granted - to run from July 1 to July 6, 2008.

Case 19-08 Theresa Gaud Map 34 Parcel 33

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (remove existing room and deck and replace with a 8 foot x 24.7 foot two-story addition) for property located on 138 Grove Avenue.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming structure.

Case 20-08 Valley Properties c/o Poyant Signs Map 43 Parcel 5

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.1a for 223.86 square feet of additional wall signage for CVS for property located at 240 Main Street.

Granted - no more than 84.43 square feet of additional signage for the side facing Main Street.

Case 21-08 Paul LaFauci Map 49 Parcel 132

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §4.2 to construct an accessory apartment addition on property located at 5 Allen Park Drive.

Granted – meets the criteria of the By-law.

Case 22-08 Metro PCS Mass LLC Map 40 Parcel 2A

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to install six antenna and associated ground equipment to an existing telecommunications facility for property located on 625 Main Street.

Granted - six additional antennas and equipment at the existing tower.

Case 23-08 Metro PCS Mass LLC Map 56 Parcel 122

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to install six antenna and associated ground equipment to an existing telecommunications facility for property located on 65 Industrial Way.

Granted - six additional antennas and equipment at the existing tower.

Case 24A-08 Kaiser Realty Trust Map 6 Parcel 40

To appeal the decision of the Inspector of Buildings.

Denied – the decision of the Inspector of Buildings in regard to the issuance of a building permit as referenced in Town Counsel's Advisory Opinion No. 77 is upheld.

Case 24B-08 Kaiser Realty Trust Map 6 Parcel 40

To acquire a variance for a lot having insufficient width and depth for a single family dwelling and relief from the Official Map for property located on 12 Polk Street.

Granted - relief from the Official Map under §81y finding that there is practical difficulty and unnecessary hardship in complying with requirements that the lot be on a way on the Official Map or part of an approved subdivision as reference in Town Counsel's Advisory Opinion No. 77.

Case 25-08 John Bonica Map 11 Parcel 12C

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.2.5 for a deck to be 16.5 feet from the side lot line and 14.2 feet from the rear lot line when 25 feet is required for property located on 5 Edgeworth Street.

Granted - no closer to the rear and side lot lines than 15 feet.

Case 26-08 Metro PCS Mass LLC Map R1 Parcel 18

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to install three antenna and associated ground equipment to an existing telecommunications facility for property located on 26 Upton Drive.

Granted - three antenna and associated ground equipment.

Case 27-08 Thomas E. Woods Map 41 Parcel 77

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (construct a 2nd story addition above the kitchen) for property located on 31 Columbia Street.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming dwelling.

Case 28-08 David & Susan McCann Map 90 Parcel 13

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (construct a portico over the front steps and landing) for property located on 7 Catherine Avenue.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming dwelling.

Case 29-08 Back Bay Sign Map 43 Parcel 5

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.2 for five directional signs exceeding the square footage allowed for property located on 240 Main Street.

Granted - five directional signs not to exceed 3.7 square feet per sign.

Case 30-08 Ramachandran Ramanan Map 9 Parcel 27

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.2.4 and §5.3.4.5 for an addition to be 23.6 feet from the front lot line when 50 feet is required for property located on 16 Winston Avenue.

Denied – no hardship.

Case 31-08 Joseph Capozzi Map 32 Parcel 42B

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (second floor landing and stairs) for property located on 70 Shawsheen Avenue.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing nonconforming dwelling.

Case 32-08 Ryan Burgdoerfer/Sprint Map 56 Parcel 122

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to install six additional antennas to existing installation for property located on 65 Industrial Way.

Granted - six additional antennas.

Case 33-08 William Harper Map 80 Parcel 3

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.2.4 for a farmer's porch to be 24.7 feet from the front lot line when 30 feet is required for property located on 8 Oakdale Road.

Withdrawn - without prejudice.

Case 34-08 Dina M. Smith Map 35 Parcel 53

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.2.4 for a sunroom to be 27.3 feet from the front yard on New Hampshire Road when 40 feet is required for property located on 19 Vermont Road.

Granted - for a sunroom to be 27.3 feet from the front yard on New Hampshire Road.

Case 35-08 Frank Ingram Map 60 Parcel 34

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (16' x 26' addition 22.8 feet from the front lot line when existing dwelling is 23.4 feet from the front lot line) for property located on 9 Wing Road.

Granted - no more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing structure.

Case 36-08 David Barresi Map 70 Parcel 88

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to increase a nonconforming structure (second floor addition).

RE-ADVERTISE - To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) §5.2.4 to construct a second floor addition 25 feet from the front lot line when 40 feet is required for property located on 7 Martens Street.

Granted - to amend Case #49-69 and allow the second-floor addition.

Case 37-08 Wilm. Main Rlty Ltd Partnership Map 43 Parcel 4C

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.5.5 and §3.8.4 for a General Service Restaurant for property located on 269 Main Street.

Granted - General Service Restaurant.

Case 38-08 Metro PCS Mass LLC Map 24 Parcel 81B

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 and §3.4.8, to replace an existing Boston Edison 81 foot utility pole with a 91 foot utility pole and install three panel antennas with ground equipment.

RE-ADVERTISE - To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 and §3.4.8, to replace an existing Boston Edison 81 foot utility pole with a 91 foot utility pole and install three panel antennas with ground equipment and a variance to replace an existing 81 foot utility pole with a 91 foot telecommunications pole in a residential zone for property located on 910 Main Street.

Granted - variance to allow an existing 81 foot wooden pole with a 91 foot wooden pole.

AND

Granted - Special Permit to replace an existing 81 foot pole with a 91 foot wooden pole along with ground equipment.

Case 39-08 355 Middlesex Ave LP II Map 79 Parcel 31

To acquire a variance from §6.3.5.3a for an additional freestanding sign on a lot where one freestanding sign is allowed for property located on 355 Middlesex Avenue.

Granted - an additional freestanding sign as described in the submitted plan.

Case 40-08 Raymond C. Ventura, c/o D. Brown Map 69 Parcel 86

To appeal the decision of the Inspector of Buildings for property located on 5 Lexington Street.

Overturn the Inspector's decision and instruct him to issue a building permit.

Constable

During the year the following notices and warrants were posted by the Constable in each of the six (6) precincts.

Presidential Primary	January 14, 2008
Annual Town Meeting and Town Election	April 10, 2008
State Primary	September 3, 2008
State/Presidential Election	October 23, 2008

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY –FEBRUARY 5, 2008 WITH ACTION TAKEN THEREON

TO: THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections at the Boutwell School- Precincts 1 and 2; Wildwood School- Precincts 3 and 4; and Town Hall- 121 Glen Road Precincts 5 and 6 on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the Presidential Primary for the candidates of the political parties for the following officers:

Presidential Preference	For the Commonwealth
State Committee Man	1st Essex & Middlesex
State Committee Woman	1st Essex & Middlesex
Members of the Democratic Town Committee	
Members of the Republican Town Committee	
Members of the Green Rainbow Town Committee	
Members of Working Families Town Committee	

Democratic Party	
Presidential Preference	
John R. Edwards	104
Hillary Clinton	2,957
Joseph R. Biden, Jr.	12
Christopher J. Dodd	6
Mike Gravel	2
Barack Obama	1,263
Dennis J. Kucinich	10
Bill Richardson	4
No preference	30
Blanks	14
All Others	14
Total	4,416

Republican Party	
Presidential Preference	
John McCain	928
Fred Thompson	3
Tom Tancredo	2
Duncan Hunter	2
Mike Huckabee	79
Mitt Romney	1,443
Ron Paul	54
Rudy Giuliani	19
No preference	7
Blanks	0
All Others	3
Total	2,540

State Committee Man 1st Essex & Middlesex	
Daniel J. Lauzon	2,605
All Others	16
Blanks	1,795
Total	4,416

State Committee Man 1st Essex & Middlesex	
John N. Racho	1,367
All Others	12
Blanks	1,161
Total	2,540

State Committee Woman 1st Essex & Middlesex	
Kathleen A. Pasquina	2,665
All Others	14
Blanks	1,737
Total	4,416

State Committee Woman 1st Essex & Middlesex	
Christina A. Bain	1,330
All Others	17
Blanks	1,193
Total	2,540

Green-Rainbow Party

Presidential Preference	
Jared Ball	0
Ralph Nader	0
Elaine Brown	0
Kat Swift	0
Cynthia McKinney	3
Kent Mesplay	0
No Preference	2
All Others	0
Blanks	0
Total	5

State Committee Man	
No Nominations	
All Others	5
Blanks	0
Total	5

State Committee Woman	
No Nominations	
All Others	5
Blanks	0
Total	5

Working Family Party

No Nominations were made and no ballots were cast in the Presidential Preference, State Committee Man or State Committee Woman.

TOWN COMMITTEES

Democratic Town Committee

The following people were elected to the Democratic Town Committee on February 5, 2008:

George W. Hooper
Alice M. Hooper
James R. Miceli
Richard Pedi
Anna M. Visconti
Lorraine A. Casey
William J. Dowd
Cristina Warren
James F. Banda
Americo M. Enos
Daniel C. Wandell, Jr.
Dwight F. Maxwell
Gary B. DePalma
Michael J. Bielecki

Republican Town Committee

The following people were elected to the Republican Town Committee on February 5, 2008:

John P. Goggin
Michael M. Hutchison
Jean M. Hutchison
William G. Hooper, Jr.
John M. Walsh
Janet M. Walsh
Michael A. Mattialiano
Catherine V. Goggin

The polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by the Town Clerk, Sharon A. George at Town Hall, (Precincts 5 & 6) Carolyn M. Kenney, Asst. Town Clerk, at the Boutwell School (Precincts 1 & 2) and Alice Hooper, Board of Registrars, at the Wildwood School (Precincts 3 & 4,) and the polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. A total of 9,501 residents voted, Democrats – 4,416; Republicans – 2,540; Green Rainbow Party – 5; and Working Families – 0. 66% of our 15,032 registered voters came to the polls.

Scalekeeper's Office on Middlesex Avenue.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION - APRIL 26, 2008
WITH ACTION TAKEN THEREON

TO: Constable of the Town of Wilmington

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot respectively for the following named offices to wit: Two Selectmen for the term of three years; two members of the School Committee for the term of three years; one member of the Housing Authority for the term of five years; and one member of the Redevelopment Authority for the term of five years.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington who are qualified to vote on elections and town affairs therein to assemble subsequently and meet in the Town Meeting at the High School Gymnasium, Church Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Saturday the third day of May, A.D. 2008 at 10:30 a.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

In accordance with the above Warrant, the election was opened by the Town Clerk, Sharon A. George, at the Town Hall, Board of Registrar Member William Hooper, at the Boutwell School and the Assistant Town Clerk, Carolyn M. Kenney at the Wildwood School.

All voting equipment was in place in each precinct. The checkers were prepared with their voting lists and everything was in readiness at 8:00 a.m. and the polls were declared open.

The results were as follows:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN for three years (vote for two)	Voted
Raymond N. Lepore	467
Michael V. McCoy	433
Others	41
Blanks	267
Total	1,208

SCHOOL COMMITTEE for three years (vote for two)	
Steven J. Higgins	455
Leslee A. Quick	484
Others	254
Blanks	15
Total	1,208

HOUSING AUTHORITY for five years (vote for one)	
Robert C. DiPasquale	505
Others	13
Blanks	86
Total	604

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY for five years (vote for one)	
Write-in – Suzanne Sullivan (received 4 votes- declined)	58
Others	0
Blanks	546
Total	604

The results of this election were ready at 9:00 p.m. and the elected officers present were sworn in to the faithful performance of their duties by Town Clerk Sharon A. George. The total number of votes cast was 604, which represented 3.9% of Wilmington's 15,295 registered voters.

TOWN MEETING – MAY 3, 2008
WITH ACTION TAKEN THEREON

With a quorum present at 11:18 a.m. (150 by the Town of Wilmington By-Laws) James Stewart, Town Moderator, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. This year the colors were presented by the Wilmington Minutemen. The Moderator then read the names of departed town workers, members of committees and boards who had passed away during the past year, also Town Meeting paused in tribute to our servicemen and women and the hope that they will all return safely home. A moment of silence was observed for all. He then introduced our newly elected and re-elected town officials.

MOTION: On motion of Chairman Michael Newhouse, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY that the Moderator suspend the reading of the Warrant and take up and make reference to each article by number.

ARTICLE 2. To hear reports of Committees and act thereon.

MOTION: On motion of Michael Caira, Town Manager, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY that no action be taken.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the purpose of paying unpaid bills of previous years; or take any other action related thereto.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Caira, and duly seconded, it was voted UNANIMOUSLY by the Town of Wilmington not to adopt Article 3.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer/Collector, with the approval of the Selectmen, to enter into an agreement, under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53F of the Massachusetts General Laws, with one or more banks doing business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, during Fiscal Year 2009 and for a term not to exceed three years, which will permit the Town of Wilmington to maintain funds on deposit with such institutions in return for said institutions providing banking services; or take any other action related thereto.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Newhouse, and duly seconded, it was voted UNANIMOUSLY by the Town of Wilmington to authorize the Treasurer/Collector, with the approval of the Selectmen, to enter into an agreement, under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53F of the Massachusetts General Laws, with one or more banks doing business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, during Fiscal Year 2008 and for a term not to exceed three years, which will permit the Town of Wilmington to maintain funds on deposit with such institutions in return for said institutions providing banking services.

ARTICLE 5. To see how much money the Town will appropriate for the expenses of the Town and the salaries of several Town Officers and Departments and determine how the same shall be raised, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, or otherwise; or take any other action related thereto.

MOTION: On motion of John Doherty, and seconded by Mr. Caira, it was voted UNANIMOUSLY by the Town of Wilmington to appropriate for the expenses of the Town and the salaries of several Town Officers and Departments and determine how the same shall be raised, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, or otherwise.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen – Legislative	
Salaries	4,200
Expenses	14,260
Furnishings	6,000
TOTAL	24,460
Selectmen – Elections	
Salaries	27,724

Expenses	9,260
Total	36,984
Registrars of Voters	
Salaries	1,875
Expenses	6,150
Total	8,025
Finance Committee	
Salaries	1,330
Expenses	8,025
Total	9,355
Town Manager	
Salary – Town Manager	126,065
Other Salaries	281,619
Expenses	72,228
Furnishings/Equipment	2,200
Total	482,112
Town Accountant	
Salary –Town Accountant	98,584
Other Salaries	216,793
Expenses	2,560
Total	317,937
Town Treasurer/Collector	
Salary – Town Treasurer/Collector	83,946
Other Salaries	167,445
Expenses	22,100
Amt. Cert. Tax Title	20,000
Total	293,491
Town Clerk	
Salary – Town Clerk	65,347
Other Salaries	103,881
Expenses	3,475
Total	172,703
Board of Assessors	
Salary – Principal Assessor	95,943
Other Salaries	86,910
Expenses	62,690
Appraisals & Inventory	104,584
Furnishings & Equipment	0
ATB Costs	0
Total	350,127
Town Counsel	
Legal Services	212,500
Expenses	7,500
Total	220,000

Permanent Building Committee	
Salaries	450
Expenses	0
Total	450
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,915,644
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police	
Salary – Chief	106,734
Salary - Deputy Chief	87,768
Salary – Lieutenants	285,895
Salary – Sergeants	366,283
Salary – Patrolmen	1,885,703
Salary – Clerical	91,456
Salary – Overtime	395,000
Salary – Paid Holidays	115,589
Salary – Specialists	12,350
Salary – Night Differential	44,616
Salary – Incentive	411,756
Sick Leave Buyback	27,538
Expenses	234,796
Furnishings & Equipment	0
Total	4,065,220
Fire	
Salary – Chief	106,734
Salary – Deputy Chief	75,468
Salary – Lieutenants	424,734
Salary - Privates	1,823,820
Salary – Clerk	48,639
Salary – Part Time	16,250
Salary – Overtime	371,000
Salary – Paid Holidays	121,366
Salary – EMT & Incentive Pay	9,025
Salary – Fire Alarms	14,420
Salary – Sick Leave Buy-Back	33,196
Expenses	112,376
Furnishing & Equipment	0
Total	3,157,028
Public Safety Central Dispatch	
Personnel Services	515,687
Contractual Services	20,450
Material & Supplies	3,750
Furnishings & Equipment	4,000
Total	543,887
Animal Control	
Salaries	35,360
Expenses	2,325
Total	37,685
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	7,803,820

PUBLIC WORKS

Personnel Services	
Superintendent	100,766
Engineer – Full Time	198,577
Engineer – Part Time	12,160
Highway – Full Time	1,089,550
Highway – Overtime	59,550
Highway – Part Time	0
Highway – Seasonal	11,200
Highway – Stream Maintenance Seasonal	11,200
Tree – Full Time	166,408
Tree – Overtime	8,580
Parks/Grounds – Full Time	338,924
Parks/Grounds – Overtime	18,370
Cemetery – Full Time	129,946
Cemetery – Part Time	6,760
Cemetery Overtime	9,860
Snow/Ice – Extra Help – Overtime	160,240
Total	2,322,336
Contractual Services	
Engineer	3,200
Engineer – Training/Conference	2,000
Highway	79,705
Highway – Repairs/Town Vehicles	120,900
Highway – Training/Conference	3,100
Tree	5,000
Parks/Grounds	24,000
Cemetery	4,100
Road Machinery – Repair	80,000
Public Street Lights	259,000
Rubbish Collection & Disposal	1,867,650
Snow & Ice – Repairs	17,500
Snow & Ice – Miscellaneous Services	143,600
Total	2,609,755
Materials & Supplies	
Engineer	4,800
Highway	39,000
Highway Construction & Road Improvements	82,000
Highway-Gas, Oil, Tires (Other)	184,960
Highway-Gas, Oil, Tires (DPW)	116,240
Stream Maintenance – Expenses	1,000
Tree	6,500
Parks/Grounds	19,000
Cemetery	13,650
Drain Projects	55,000
Snow & Ice – Salt & Sand	164,640
Snow & Ice – Tools & Equipment	4,000
Total	690,790
Furnishings & Equipment	37,000

SEWER	
Personnel Services	69,176
Maintenance/Operations	76,530
Total	145,706
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	5,805,587

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Caira, the Wilmington Town Meeting voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve the appropriations for the FY09 Public Works Department budget.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Board of Health	
Salary – Director	78,259
Other Salaries	178,549
Expenses	9,980
Mental Health	35,000
Furnishings & Equipment	350
Total	302,138
Sealer of Weights/Measures	
Salaries	5,166
Expenses	200
Total	5,366
Planning & Conservation	
Salary – Director	76,031
Other Salaries	208,617
Expenses	10,175
Furnishings & Equipment	1,500
Total	296,323
Building Inspector/Board of Appeals	
Salary – Building Inspector	74,067
Other Salaries	122,227
Expenses	4,705
Furnishings/Equipment	1,200
Total	202,199
TOTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	806,026
PUBLIC BUILDINGS	
Salary – Superintendent	93,695
Other salaries	2,202,230
Overtime	47,750
Part Time Seasonal	11,20
Heating	1,054,600
Electricity	165,000
Utilities	110,000
Expenses	476,385
Furnishings/Equipment	0
TOTAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS	4,160,860

HUMAN SERVICES

Veterans' Aid/Benefits	
Salary – Part Time Agent	49,310
Expenses	1,600
Assistance – Veterans	180,000
Total	230,919
Library	
Salary – Director	78,783
Other Salaries	664,386
Merrimack Valley Library Consortium	32,947
Expenses	145,461
Furnishings & Equipment	14,215
Total	877,843
Recreation	
Salary – Director	63,498
Other Salaries	42,722
Expenses	6,500
Furnishings & Equipment	0
Total	112,720
Elderly Services	
Salary – Director	63,498
Other Salaries	108,172
Expenses	37,767
Furnishings & Equipment	0
Total	209,437
Historical Commission	
Salaries	20,604
Expenses	6,750
Furnishings & Equipment	0
Total	27,354
Commission on Disabilities	
Salaries	0
Expenses	0
Total	0
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	1,516,213
SCHOOLS	
Wilmington School Department	29,259,500
Shawsheen Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School District	3,260,000
TOTAL SCHOOLS	32,519,500
MATURING DEBT & INTEREST	
Schools	2,916,275
Public Safety	921,300
General Government	74,839
Sewer	134,568
Water	0
Interest on Anticipation of Notes & Authorization Fees & Miscellaneous Debt	5,000
TOTAL MATURING DEBT & INTEREST	4,051,982

UNCLASSIFIED & RESERVE	
Insurance	606,500
Employee Health & Life Insurance	7,360,120
Veterans' Retirement	13,008
Employee Retirement Unused Sick Leave	60,000
Medicare Employer's Contribution	485,000
Salary Adjustments & Additional Costs	125,000
Local Transportation & Training Conferences	5,000
Out-of-State Travel	1,500
Computer Maintenance Expenses	185,000
Records Storage	0
Annual Audit	20,000
Ambulance Billing	25,000
Town Report	10,000
Professional & Technical Services	125,000
Reserve Fund	400,000
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED & RESERVE	9,421,628
TOTAL MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT	35,481,760
STATUTORY CHARGES	
Current Year Overlay	700,000
Retirement Contributions	3,588,132
Offset Items	46,014
Special Education	0
Mass. Bay Transportation Authority	446,441
MAPC (Ch. 688 of 1963)	6,345
RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge	16,060
Metro Air Pollution Control District	6,475
Mosquito Control Program	48,126
M.W.R.A. Sewer Assessment	1,787,470
Criminal Justice Training	0
School Choice	17,500
Charter Schools	39,410
Essex County Technical Institute	13,063
TOTAL STATUTORY CHARGES	6,715,036
ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FUNDS	
Tax Levy	51,721,195
Local Receipts	6,270,000
Local Receipts – Sewer	2,632,247
Local Aid	14,370,869
Free Cash	0
Water Dept. Available Funds	663,583
Sale of Cemetery Lots	20,000
Cemetery Trust Fund – Interest	40,000
Capital Stabilization Fund	0
NESWC Funds	0
Provision for Abates Surplus	0
Capital Project Closeouts	
TOTAL ESTIMATED FY 2008 AVAILABLE FUNDS	75,717,894

MAIN MOTION: On motion of Mr. John Doherty, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to accept the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from any available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the purchase of new and/or replacement capital equipment, including but not limited to the following items, and further to authorize the sale, trade-in, conveyance or other disposition of any equipment being so replaced, such funds to be spent by the town department, so indicated, with the approval of the Town Manager, and to the extent set forth in Chapter 592 of the Acts of 1950 the Board of Selectmen, as follows:

Police Department
Purchase of five (5) replacement police cruisers.

Fire Department
Purchase of one (1) pick-up truck.

School Department
Purchase of two (2) replacement standard minivans.

Department of Public Works
Purchase of two (2) replacement one-ton trucks for the Highway and Tree Divisions; one (1) six-wheel dump truck for the Cemetery Division and one (1) sewer and stormwater pipe cleaning Vactor truck for the Highway and Sewer Divisions;

or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Police Cruisers: On motion of Mr. Michael McCoy, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY the amount of One Hundred Forty Four Thousand-Seven-Hundred Dollars ($144,700) for the purchase of five (5) police cruisers

Fire Truck: On motion of Mr. Raymond Lepore, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY the amount of Forty thousand Dollars ($40,000.)

School Department: On motion of Mr. Charles Fiore, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000.)

Department of Public Works: On motion of Mr. Louis Cimaglia, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY the amount of Four-Hundred-Seventy-Four Thousand Dollars ($106,000 – 2 one ton trucks for Highway, $108,000 for six-wheel dump truck for Cemetery and $260,000 for a Vactor truck for sewer.)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the purchase of a replacement police communications system for the Police Department; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Michael Newhouse, seconded by Mr. West, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to raise and appropriate, transfer funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of One Hundred Two Thousand-Four Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars ($102,438) for the purchase of replacement police communications system for the Police Department; or take any other action related thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the installation of a suspended ceiling and the installation of replacement lighting in the first floor at the Wilmington Memorial Library; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. McCoy, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the installation of a suspended ceiling and the installation of replacement lighting in the first floor at the Wilmington Memorial Library; or take any other action related thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for engineering, bid preparation and other professional services for the design of the Main Street Sewer Interceptor construction project which will enable the town to repair approximately 3,100 linear feet of pipeline; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Fiore, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of One Hundred-Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars ($122,000), for engineering, bid preparation and other professional services for the design of the Main Street Sewer Interceptor construction project which will enable the town to repair approximately 3,100 linear feet of pipeline; or take any other action related thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see what sum the Town will vote to transfer into various line items of the Fiscal Year 2008 operating budget from other line items of said budget and from other available funds; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Caira, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to transfer funds to various line items of the Fiscal Year 2008 operating budget from other line items of said budget and from other available funds as follows:

Transfer From	
Police Salary, Lieutenants	$ 40,000
Public Safety Central Dispatch-Personnel Services	15,000
Public Works, Personnel Services, Engineer-Full Time	25,000
Public Works, Contractual Services –Rubbish Collection	100,000
Public Buildings – Other Salaries	20,000
Unclassified Reserve – Insurance	30,000
Unclassified Reserve – Employee Health and Life Insurance	300,000
Unclassified Reserve – Professional & Technical Services	50,000
Total	$ 580,000
Transfer To:	
Fire, Salary – Overtime	$ 85,000
Public Works, Contractual Services – Snow, Ice & Misc.	60,000
Public Works, Materials & Supplies – Gas, Oil, Tires (other)	40,000
Public Works, Materials & Supplies – Gas, Oil, Tires (DPW)	20,000
Public Works, Materials & Supplies – Snow, Ice Sand & Salt	55,000
Public Buildings – Heating Fuel	290,000
Public Buildings – Electricity	30,000
Total	$ 580,000

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the purpose of providing senior citizen work opportunities for services rendered to the Town in accordance with the Town's Senior Citizen Tax Work-Off Program; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Lepore, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY o raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of Fifteen- Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars ($15,360) for the purpose of providing senior citizen work opportunities for services rendered to the Town in accordance with the Town's Senior Citizen Tax Work-off Program.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and Veterans' Day; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Cimaglia, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a the sum of Six Thousand Dollars ($6,000) for the observance of Memorial Day and Veterans' Day; or take any other action related thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute the sum of $750.00 each (a total of $1,500) for the purpose of renewing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, the lease of:

a. Veterans of Foreign Wars Clubhouse for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States;

b. American Legion Clubhouse, Inc., in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Post 136 of the American Legion;

or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Newhouse, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to raise and appropriate, transfer from the available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars ($750.00 each, for a total of $1,500.00) for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Clubhouse and the American Legion Clubhouse.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize or reauthorize as the case may be, revolving accounts pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ for the various boards, commissions, departments and agencies of the Town; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Fiore, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY that the Town reauthorize the following revolving accounts pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53 ½ as follows:

First a Compost Bin Revolving Fund with an established spending limited of $4,500, with the source of revenue being the sale of composting bins, the spending authority being the Town Manager and the purpose for which money may be spent is the purchase of composting bins; and second, a Subsurface Sewage Disposal Upgrade Revolving Fund with an established spending limit of $200,000, with the source of revenues being betterment receipts and other loan repayments from property owners participating in said program, the purpose of expenditures being the repair and upgrade of subsurface sewage disposal systems and the repayment to the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust of any funds advanced to the town for this purpose, and the spending authority being the Board of Health with the approval of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 15. (drawn #22) To see if the Town will vote to accept as town ways the following described streets, as recommended by the Planning Board and laid out by the Board of Selectmen (Massachusetts

General Laws Chapter 41 and Chapter 82, as amended) and shown on certain plans described below, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, such land, slope and drainage or other easements as may be necessary to effect the purpose of this Article, and further to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money to be spent by the Town Manager with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for such purposes; or take any other action related thereto.

Chisholm Way: as shown on a plan, "Mink Run Extension – Wilmington, Massachusetts – Definitive Subdivision Plan – Lot Layout", Scale – one inch equals fifty feet (1" = 50'), prepared by GCG Associates, Inc., dated May 28, 2003, as revised to 9/14/04, which plan is recorded at the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 216, as Plan 62, which plan is on file with the office of the Town Manager and the office of the Town Clerk.

Sequoia Drive: as shown on the plan entitled "Street Acceptance Plan of Land Sequoia Drive Wilmington, MA." dated December 11, 2007, Scale 1"= 40', drawn by Dana F. Perkins Inc. Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors , 1049 East Street Tewksbury MA 01876, which plan is on file with the office of the Town Manager and the office of the Town Clerk.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article as these streets were constructed through subdivision control and the roadway has been completed.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Newhouse, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve Article 15.

ARTICLE 16. (drawn #28) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to erect a permanent monument in memory of Army Private First Class John F. Landry, Jr. who was killed in action on March 17, 2007 while serving his country in Iraq; further to authorize the Board to determine a suitable location therefore from among the various properties owned or controlled by the town, and further, to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money to be spent by the Town Manager for the design, construction, installation and erection of such monument; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Cimaglia, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve the monument in memory of Army Private First Class John F. Landry.

ARTICLE 17. (drawn #23) To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court and to request its representatives in the General Court to seek enactment of special legislation for the Town in the form set forth below, it being the intent of the Town to authorize the General Court to make constructive changes to the text hereof, subject to the approval of the Wilmington Board of Selectmen, to accomplish the public policy purposes hereof; or to take any other action related thereto:

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN ELECTED PLANNING BOARD
IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON

SECTION 1. The list of elected positions within the Town as set forth in Section 2 of Chapter 592 of the Acts of 1950 ("An Act Establishing A Town Manager Form of Government for the Town of Wilmington," hereinafter referred to as "the Town Manager Act") is hereby amended by adding the words "the Planning Board" after the words "the Selectmen".

SECTION 2. The Town Manager Act is hereby amended by adding the following new section:

"SECTION 3A. Election of Planning Board. At the first town election following acceptance of this act, there shall be elected two members of the Planning Board for three years, two members for two years, and one member for one year. Upon the qualification of the members so elected, the term of office of the Planning Board then existing shall terminate. At each annual town election thereafter, the voters shall elect members for the three-year terms to replace those whose terms are about to expire."

SECTION 3. The list of positions appointed by the Town Manager as set forth in Section 12(a) of the Town Manager Act is hereby amended by striking out the words, "Planning Board".

SECTION 4. Vacancies arising among the members of the Planning Board shall be filled in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Finance Committee recommended disapproval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. McCoy, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington defeated Article 17 for a special act.

ARTICLE 18: (drawn #16) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law by adding the following new section:

10.3 **Board of Appeals** - The Town of Wilmington Board of Appeals is hereby designated as the Board of Appeals required by Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws as constituted on the date of the acceptance of this recodification. This recodification shall replace any and all prior actions of the Town regarding the Board of Appeals.

10.3.1 The Board of Appeals shall also act as the Board of Appeals required under the provisions of Section 81Z of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, relating to subdivision control.

10.3.2 Appointment of members: The Board of Appeals shall consist of five (5) members nominated and appointed by the Board of Selectmen. There shall be no associate members on the Board of Appeals.

10.3.3 Terms: Appointment shall be for three-year terms, so arranged that the term of no more than two members shall expire each year.

10.3.4 Residency and removal of members: Members of the Board of Appeals shall be residents of the Town of Wilmington, and shall hold office during such residence until their successors are duly qualified and may be removed for just cause after hearing by the Board of Selectmen.

10.3.5 Vacancies: To be filled by the Board of Selectmen.

10.3.6 The Board of Appeals shall act on all matters over which it has jurisdiction and in the manner prescribed by the following provisions.

10.3.6.1 To hear and decide appeals from any decisions of the Inspector of Buildings.

10.3.6.2 To hear and decide applications for special permits except as otherwise provided in this By-law.

10.3.6.3 To hear and decide petitions for variances from this By-law.

10.3.6.4 To hear and decide applications under Section 81E of Chapter 41of the Massachusetts General Laws, for the issuance of a permit for the erection of a building on a lot in a subdivision approval under the subdivision control law and on a lot not on a

way placed on or made part of the Official Map when the Board finds that enforcement of the foregoing provision would entail practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship and that the circumstances do not require that the building be related to a way shown on a subdivision plan or the Official Map.

10.3.6.5 To take action on any other matter as may be assigned to the Board by the General Laws or the By-laws of the Town.

or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Lepore, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted 150 in favor and 2, motion passes by two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE 19. (drawn #15) To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Sections 1 through 16, Expedited Permitting; or to take any other action related thereto.

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 1 states that "[n]otwithstanding any general or special law, charter provision, by-law or ordinance to the contrary this chapter shall apply upon its acceptance by a city or town."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 2 states that "the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:--

"Governing body", ... in towns the board of selectmen.

"Interagency permitting board", the board ... established to review and approve or deny municipal priority development site proposals and to grant and administer technical assistance grants.

"Issuing authority", a local board, commission, department or other municipal entity that is responsible for issuing permits, granting approvals or otherwise involved in land use development including redevelopment of existing buildings and structures.

"Permit", a permit formal determination, order of conditions, license, certificate, authorization, registration, plan approval, zoning relief or other approval or determination with respect to the use or development of land, buildings, or structures required by any issuing authority including but not limited to those under statutory authorities contained in Chapter 40A, Sections 81A to 81J, inclusive, and Sections 81X to 81GG, inclusive, of Chapter 41, Sections 40 and 40A of Chapter 131, Sections 26 to 32, inclusive, of Chapter 111, Chapter 40C, Sections 13 and 14 of Chapter 148, Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, or otherwise under state law or local by-law or ordinance, and all associated regulations, by-laws and rules, but not including building permits or approvals pursuant to Sections 81O to 81W, inclusive, of Chapter 41. "Permit" shall not include the decision of an agency to dispose of property under its management or control; predevelopment reviews conducted by the municipal office of permit coordination or a technical review team; or permits granted by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority.

"Priority development site", a privately or publicly owned property that is: (1) commercially or industrially zoned; (2) eligible under applicable zoning provisions, including special permits or other discretionary permits, for the development or redevelopment of a building at least 50,000 square feet of gross floor area in new or existing buildings or structures; and (3) designated as a priority development site by the board. ..."

"Secretary", the secretary of the Executive Office of Economic Development.

"Technical review team", an informal working group consisting of representatives of the various issuing authorities designed by the head of their issuing authority to review requests submitted under this chapter. The technical review team shall not include members of the zoning board of appeals."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 3 states that "(a) [f]or a property to receive a designation as a priority development site, the governing body, after approval by a town meeting in a town, shall file a formal proposal with the board. The proposal shall include: (1) a detailed description of the property; (2) good faith commitment to comply with this chapter; (3) written authorization of the property owner; and (4) at the discretion of the governing body, a request for a technical assistance grant.

(b) All requests for a technical assistance grant shall include a detailed description of how the grant will be used and shall be submitted with the formal proposal as described in subsection (a). The grants shall be used to implement the requirements of this chapter, which shall include but not be limited to, professional staffing assistance, local government reorganization, and consulting services. The amount of any single grant awarded from the fund, shall not exceed $150,000. The board shall review and determine eligibility of the proposals and approve requests within 60 days of receipt of the proposals. ..."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 4 states that "[w]ithin 120 days of the acceptance of this chapter the governing body shall implement the following: (a) appoint a single point of contact to serve as the primary municipal liaison for all issues relating to this chapter; (b) amend rules and regulations on permit issuance to conform to this chapter; (c) along with the issuing authority, collect and ensure the availability of all governing statutes, local ... by-laws, regulations, procedures and protocols pertaining to each permit; (d) establish a procedure whereby the governing body shall determine all permits, reviews and predevelopment reviews required for a project; all required scoping sessions, public comment periods and public hearings; and all additional specific applications and supplemental information required for review, including, where applicable, the identification of potential conflicts of jurisdiction or substantive standards with abutting municipalities and a procedure for notifying the applicant; and (e) establish a procedure, following the notification of the required submissions for review as set forth in clause (d), for determining if all the materials required for the review of the project have been completed."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 5 states that "(a) [p]riority development permit reviews and final decisions shall be completed within 180 days subject to the extension herein. The time period shall begin the day after the issuance of the notice that the application materials are complete pursuant to clause (e) of Section 4. The governing body shall notify the applicant in writing within 20 business days from receipt of the completed form of additional information needed or requirements that it may have. The governing body may provide for pre-application conferences to facilitate this process.

(b) The resubmission of the application or the submission of such additional information required by the governing body shall commence a new 30-day period for review of the additional information.

(c) If, at any time, an issuing authority determines that a permit or other predevelopment review is required which it did not previously identify, it shall immediately notify the applicant by certified mail and shall where public notice and comment or hearings are not required complete action on the application filed for the previously unidentified permit within 30 days of receipt of the completed application or not later than the latest required decision date for a pending permit, whichever is later. Where public notice and comment or hearing are required for the previously unidentified permit, the required action date shall be not later than 30 days from the later of the

close of the hearing or comment period, which shall be scheduled to commence as quickly as publication allows. The failure of the governing body to notify an applicant of the requirement of a public hearing or comment period shall not constitute a waiver of the requirement."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 6 states that "(a) [i]n accordance with this chapter, the governing body may establish an informal procedure to allow permit applicants to obtain advisory review by a technical review team of any issue of law, policy, procedure, or classification that the applicant claims is in dispute between the applicant and the issuing authority which has affected or will affect the ability of the applicant to obtain timely review of the permit application. The procedures shall provide for filing a request for review by the applicant, representation by the issuing authority on the technical review team, and a period not to exceed 30 days for issuance of a decision. Use of this procedure shall toll the review time periods. An advisory determination or ruling made pursuant to a procedure established in this section shall not constitute a decision or final action and shall not be subject to any right of administrative or judicial review.

(b) The governing body may establish an additional and separate fee, in addition to any fees that may be assessed by an issuing authority in order to carry out its duties under this chapter, and may deposit the fees in a special account to be maintained by the treasurer. The special account, including any accrued interest shall be expended at the direction of the governing body, without further appropriation; but, the funds shall be expended only in carrying out its responsibilities under this chapter."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 7 states that "[f]ailure by any issuing authority to take final action on a permit or approval within the 180-day period or extended time, if applicable, shall be considered a grant of the relief requested of that authority. ..."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 8 states that "[t]he grant shall not occur where: (1) the governing body has made a timely determination that the application is not complete in accordance with its requirements and notified the applicant as set forth herein and the applicant has not made a timely response to complete the application; (2) the governing body has determined that the final application contained false or misleading information; or (3) the governing body has determined that substantial changes to the project affect the information required to process the permit application have occurred since the filing of the application."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 9 states that "[t]he 180 day time period may be waived or extended for good cause upon written request of the applicant with the consent of the governing body or upon written request of the issuing authority with the consent of the applicant. The 180-day period may be extended for up to 30 days by the governing body in the event an additional permit or other predevelopment review is required in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 5, if the requirement for the previously unidentified permit or review has been determined no less than 150 days after the issuance of the notice of completeness. The 180 day time period shall be extended when the issuing authority determines either: (1) that action by another federal, state or municipal government agency is required before the issuing authority may act; (2) that judicial proceedings affect the ability of the issuing authority or applicant to proceed with the application; or (3) that enforcement proceedings that could result in revocation of an existing permit for that facility or activity and denial of the application have been commenced. In those circumstances, the issuing authority shall provide written notification to the secretary. When the reason for the extension is no longer applicable, the issuing authority shall immediately notify the applicant, and shall complete its decision within the time period specified in this section, beginning the day after the notice is issued. An issuing authority may not use lack of time for review as a basis for denial of a permit if the applicant has provided a complete application and met all other obligations in accordance with this chapter. ..."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 10 states that "(a) [a]ppeals from issuing authority decisions or from a grant by operation of law shall be filed within 20 days after the last individual permitting decision has been rendered or within 20 days after the conclusion of the 180 day period as set forth in subsection (a) of Section 5, whichever is later. The 180 day period shall be increased by the number of days in any extension granted under this chapter.

(b) A person aggrieved by a final decision of any issuing authority, or by the failure of that authority to take final action concerning the application within the time specified, whether or not previously a party to the proceeding, or any governmental officer, board, or agency, may appeal to the division of administrative law appeals by bringing an action within 20 days after a written decision was or should have been rendered. Appeals from decisions of multiple permitting authorities shall be filed simultaneously and shall be consolidated for purposes of hearing and decision. This section shall not apply to appeals pursuant to Sections 40 and 40A of Chapter 131, which shall continue to be appealed in accordance with said Chapter 131, Chapter 30A and applicable regulations.

(c) When hearing appeals under this chapter, the division shall revise its rules, procedures and regulations to the extent necessary to accord with the requirements of this chapter.

(d) The division shall render a final written decision within 90 days of the receipt of the appeal. Thereafter, an aggrieved party may appeal to the superior court department by bringing an action within 20 days after the division has rendered a final decision."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 11 states that "a) [p]ermits shall not transfer automatically to successors in title, unless the permit expressly allows the transfer without the approval of the issuing authority.

(b) Issuing authorities having substantive jurisdiction over permit issuance may develop procedures for simplified permit renewals and annual reporting requirements. If the procedures are not developed, renewals of permits shall be governed by the same procedures and timelines as specified in conjunction with this chapter.

(c) Issuing authorities shall make reasonable effort to review permit modification requests within as short a period as is feasible to maintain the integrity of the expedited permitting process. An issuing authority shall inform an applicant within 20 business days of receipt of a request whether the modification is approved, denied, determined to be substantial or additional information is required by the issuing authority in order to issue a decision. If additional information is required, the issuing authority shall inform an applicant within 20 business days after receipt of the required additional information whether the modification is approved or denied or that additional information is still required by the issuing authority in order to render a decision. In cases in which the issuing authority determines that a requested modification is substantial, the original review period for permit categories as set forth in Section 5 shall apply.

(d) Permits issued pursuant to this chapter shall expire 5 years from the date of the expiration of the applicable appeal period unless exercised sooner. Where permits cover multiple buildings, commencement and continuation of construction of 1 building shall preserve the permit validity. Changes in the law subsequent to the issuance of permits based upon the priority proposal shall not invalidate the permits or review certificates. Nothing in this section shall limit the effectiveness of Section 6 of Chapter 40A."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 12 states that "[a] priority development site shall be eligible for the following:--

(a) priority consideration for community development action grants, and public works economic development grants;

(b) priority consideration for other state resources such as quasi-public financing and training programs;

(c) brownfields remediation assistance;

(d) enhanced marketing by the Massachusetts office of business development, and the Massachusetts alliance for economic development; and

(e) technical assistance provided by the regional planning council."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 13 states that "(a) [t]echnical assistance funding is intended to be a one-time grant to municipality, if the municipality has adopted expedited permitting as provided in Sections 3 to 11, inclusive.

(b) A municipality shall be eligible for technical assistance funding, which may be less than the previous amounts awarded, for a second time if it has identified and successfully permitted one priority development site."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 14 states that "[a]ny required reviews established under Sections 61 to 62H, inclusive, of Chapter 30 or Sections 26 to 27C, inclusive, of Chapter 9 shall conclude within 120 days of a state determination of completeness of required review materials, as established by the executive office of environmental affairs in consultation with the state secretary. ..."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 15 states that "[n]othing in this chapter shall be construed to alter the substantive jurisdictional authority of issuing authorities."

M.G.L. Chapter 43D, Section 16 states that "[t]he secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement this chapter."

And to see if the Town will designate the following parcel of land as a "Priority Development Site" in the Town of Wilmington for expedited municipal permitting within the meaning of G.L. Chapter 43D, and approve the filing of an application with the Interagency Permitting Board for designation of such parcel as a Priority Development Site or to take any other action in relation thereto: land on the west side of Interstate Route 93 identified as Assessors Map R-2, Parcel 16 comprising a total of 23 acres.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Michael Sorrentino, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted 70 in favor 48 opposed, motion passes by two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE 20. (drawn #21) To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court and to request its representatives in the General Court to seek enactment of special legislation for the Town in the form set forth below, it being the intent of the Town to authorize the General Court to make constructive changes to the text hereof, subject to the approval of the Wilmington Board of Selectmen, to accomplish the public policy purposes hereof, or to take any other action related thereto:

AN ACT AMENDING THE WILMINGTON SEWER ACT

SECTION 1. Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 ("An Act authorizing the Town of Wilmington to Construct and Operate a System of Sewers") as amended by Chapter 346 of the Acts of 1993 with regard to Section 6 thereof, is hereby further amended as follows:

The first sentence of Section 1 of Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended is further amended as follows:

After the words "for a part or whole of its territory", insert the words "as may be from time to time defined and established by adoption by town meeting of one or more by-laws as a designated Sewer District under the jurisdiction and control of the Wilmington Water and Sewer Commission defined in Section 3 of Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958, with such capacity limitations, connections, pumping stations, treatment plants and other works, as may be allocated in such by-law to such Sewer Districts in Wilmington as required for a system or systems of sewage treatment and disposal".

At the end of Section 1 of Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended insert the following additional sentence: "No other sewers shall be constructed in any public roads or ways of the Town of Wilmington which are not within the limits of such designated Sewer Districts and which are not under the control of the Wilmington Water and Sewer Commission."

SECTION 2. Section 7, Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

delete the words "not exceeding in the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars" and the words "Wilmington Sewerage Loan, Act of 1958".

SECTION 3. Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended is hereby further amended by inserting a new paragraph 8A stating as follows:

"Section 8A. There is hereby established two separate special accounts within the treasury of the Town of Wilmington as follows:

(a) an Application Review Fund. Into the Application Review fund shall be deposited without dollar limitation all proceeds paid by applicants to the Wilmington Water and Sewer Commission for applications for sewer connections, in such amounts as may be established from time to time by said Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, which funds may be spent by the Water & Sewer Commission without further appropriation for the purpose of paying for the review of permit applications to the Commission.

(b) a Water Resources Mitigation Fund. Into the Water Resources Mitigation Fund shall be deposited without dollar limitation all proceeds paid to the Wilmington Water and Sewer Commission by applicants for Water Resources Mitigation Charges and Connection Fees as may be established from time to time by said Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, which funds may be spent by the Water & Sewer Commission without further appropriation for the purpose of continuing efforts to improve water conservation and reduce leakage for the town's drinking water system. Funds may also be used to design and construct storm water

projects that will improve the quality and quantity of surface waters in Wilmington by treating and recharging storm water from existing impervious surfaces that is now discharged to said waters with inadequate treatment or recharge, or to perform Inflow/Infiltration reduction work on the Town sewer system."

SECTION 4. Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended is hereby further amended by inserting a new section numbered Section 8B, as follows:

"Section 8B: Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, owners of land not within the Sewer Districts defined and established pursuant to Section 1 of this Act shall not be permitted to connect to the town's sewer system except as is set forth in this Act. The territory covered by said Sewer Districts may be amended from time to time by the board having charge of sewers, after a public hearing conducted to consider such amendment, upon approval of the department of environmental protection if otherwise required by law and upon enactment by Town Meeting of a by-law defining or establishing a new or expanded Sewer District. In the event that the Board having charge of sewers votes not to amend the territory of any Sewer District in accordance

with the foregoing sentence, the amendment may nevertheless be enacted in a form of a by-law upon a two-third vote of town meeting."

SECTION 5. Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended is hereby further amended by inserting a new section numbered Section 8C as follows:

"Section 8C. Any by-law adopted pursuant to the authority granted to the Town of Wilmington by this Act may include authorization to the Wilmington Water and Sewer Commission without a Town Meeting vote to add to the Sewer Districts created pursuant to this Act properties located within "needs areas" as defined by Wilmington's Supplemental Final Comprehensive Water Resource Management Plan / Environmental Impact Report - Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs: File Number 8844 (CWRMP), or any equivalent successor revision or amendment thereto as may be approved by said Commission."

SECTION 6. Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended is hereby further amended by inserting a new section numbered Section 8D as follows

"Section 8D. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the board having charge of the maintenance and repair of sewers may at any time permit extensions, new connections or increases in flow to the sewer system, subject to capacity, to serve municipal buildings or public restrooms without thereby creating any entitlement on the part of any person to connect to such sewer system, and subject to capacity, in order of application, may permit or if in the public interest, may require, extensions, new connections or new flow to the sewer system within such districts."

SECTION 7. Section 9, Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1958 as amended is hereby amended by adding the following words as part of and at the end of the first sentence prior to the period punctuation mark:

"provided however, any such action of the town shall only take place in accordance with Sections 1, 8B, 8C and 8D of this Act as amended"

SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on the first day of July following passage.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article as did the Water and Sewer Commission.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Joseph J. Balliro, Jr., and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve the Home Rule special act and to send to the Legislature.

ARTICLE 21. (drawn #27) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law and the associated Zoning Map of the Town of Wilmington by establishing a Highway Industrial District (HI) comprised of the following parcels identified in the Assessors records as follows:

Concord Street:	Map 85 Parcel 1A; Map 91 Parcels 119, 119A and 122
Fordham Road:	Map 91 Parcels 121, 131, 132; Map 99 Parcels 1, 132, 134, 135, 141, 142, 143, and 143A;
Ballardvale Street:	Map R2 Parcels 7, 18, 20A, 20C, 20D, 20E, 20F, 20G, 21, 23B, 23C, 23D, 23E, 23F, 23G, 24, 25, 26A, 26B, 26C, 27A, 28; R3 Parcels 25, 25A, 26, 26A, 28, 29, 29A, 29B, 29C, 39, 44 and 44A;
Research Drive:	Map R3 Parcels 30, 401, 402, 403, 404 and 404R;
Landlocked:	Map R2 Parcels 10, 14, 16, 17, 17A and 23A; Map R2 Part of Parcels 6, 11, 13, 15 and 29

and taking the following actions:

1. Section 2 Establishment of Districts, Industrial Districts following General Industrial (GI), insert Highway Industrial (HI).
2. Delete Table 1 Principal Use Regulations in its entirety and replace with the following:

TABLE 1 PRINCIPAL USE REGULATIONS

PRINCIPAL USES	RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS				BUSINESS DISTRICTS			INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS			SITE PLAN REVIEW	GWPD
	R-10	R-20	R-60	O55H	NB	GB	CB	GI	HI	LI/O		
3.2 EXTENSIVE USES												
3.2.1 Agriculture	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	NR	*
3.2.2 Greenhouse	No	SP	SP		SP	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.2.3 Conservation	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	NR	*
3.2.4 Recreation	SP	SP	SP		SP	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.2.5 Earth Removal	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NR	*
3.3 RESIDENTIAL USES												
3.3.1 Single Family Dwelling	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	NR	*
3.3.2 Accessory Apartments	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	N	*
3.3.3 Community Housing Facility	SP	SP	SP		SP	SP	SP	No	No	No	NR	*
3.3.4 Municipal Building Reuse	SP	SP	SP		SP	SP	SP	No	No	No	NR	*
3.3.5 Multi-Family Housing	No	No	No		No	No	SP	No	No	No	R	*
3.3.6 Over 55 Housing	No	No	No	SP	No	No	No	No	No	No	R	*
3.4 GOVERNMENTAL, INSTITUTIONAL AND PUBLIC SERVICE USES												
3.4.1 Municipal Use	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NR	*
3.4.2 Educational	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NR	*
3.4.3 Religious	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NR	*
3.4.4 Philanthropic	SP	SP	SP		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.4.5 Nursery School	SP	SP	SP		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	R	*
3.4.6 Hospital and Nursing Home	SP	SP	SP		SP	SP	SP	No	No	No	R	*
3.4.7 Public Service Utility	SP	SP	SP		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.4.8 Wireless Communications Facility**	No	No	No		No	SP	No	SP	SP	SP	R	*
3.5 BUSINESS USES												
3.5.1.1 Retail Store under 30,000 s.f.	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	SP	SP	SP	R	*
3.5.1.2 Retail Store over 30,000 s.f.	No	No	No		No	No	No	No	SP	No	R	*
3.5.2 Business and Professional Office	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.5.3 Bank	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.5.4 Limited Service Restaurant	No	No	No		No	SP	Yes	SP	Yes	SP	R	*
3.5.5 General Service Restaurant	No	No	No		No	SP	SP	No	Yes	SP	R	*
3.5.6 Hotel or Motel	No	No	No		No	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	R	*
3.5.7 Lodge and Club	No	No	No		SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.5.8 Funeral Home	No	No	No		No	Yes	No	No	No	No	R	*
3.5.9 Veterinary Care	No	No	N		No	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	R	*
3.5.10 Personal Service Shop	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	R	*
3.5.11 Craft Shop and Building Trade	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R*	
3.5.12 Commercial and Trade School	No	No	No		SP	Yes	SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	R*	
3.5.13 Amusement Facility	No	No	No		No	Yes	SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.5.14 Auto Service Station and Car Wash	No	No	No		No	SP	No	No	No	No	R	*
3.5.15 Auto Repair and Body Shop	No	No	No		No	SP	No	SP	SP	No	R	*
3.5.16 Vehicular Dealership	No	No	No		No	SP	No	No	No	No	R	*
3.5.17 Parking Facility	No	No	No		No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.5.18 Adult Uses***												
3.6 INDUSTRIAL USES												
3.6.1 Warehouse	No	No	No		No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.6.2 Bulk Material Storage and Sales	No	No	No		No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	R	*
3.6.3 Heavy Vehicular Dealership and Repair Garage	No	No	No		No	No	No	SP	SP	No	R	*
3.6.4 Light Industrial	No	No	No		No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	R	*
3.6.5 Limited Manufacturing	No	No	No		No	No	No	SP	SP	SP	R	*
3.6.6 General Manufacturing	No	No	No		No	No	No	SP	SP	No	R	*
3.7 PROHIBITED USES												
3.7.1 Prohibited Uses	No	No	No		No	No	No	No	No	No	NR	*

* Uses within the Ground Water Protection Districts may be subject to additional regulation. See Section 6.6 Ground Water Protection Districts.

** Monopoles allowed by SP on Town-owned land; and attachments allowed by SP on existing structures in all zoning districts.

*** Overlay district. See Section 6.7

3. Amend TABLE II STANDARD DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS by adding the following after General Industrial:

HIGHWAY INDUSTRIAL	80,000 s.f. as minimum lot area; all other dimensions the same as General Industrial.

4. Amend Section 3.5 Classification of Business Uses by deleting 3.5.1 and adding the following:

3.5.1.1 Retail Store(s) under 30,000 s.f. - Store(s) for the display and sale of merchandise within a building having single or multi-tenants, no one tenant having more than 30,000 s.f. Defined as including but not limited to: grocery, deli, sandwich shop, ice cream parlor, bakery and package stores; drugstore; book, stationery and gift shop; antique shop; florist; pet shop; television and radio sales; hardware store; department and furniture stores; garden center with open air sales; and all other retail stores.

A sandwich shop shall be defined as a food establishment serving sandwiches of all types and varieties, soups, salads, pizza and all other individually portioned items, with said foods to be consumed off the premises.

3.5.1.2 Retail Store(s) over 30,000 s.f. – Store(s) for the display and sale of merchandise primarily within a building primarily for a single tenant. Defined as including but not limited to: home improvement, department or furniture stores; garden centers with open air sales.

5. Amend Section 3.8.9 by adding the words "under 30,000 s.f." following "Retail uses."

6. Amend existing Section 3.8.10 by renumbering it as 3.8.11 and adding a new 3.8.10 as follows:

3.8.10 Retail uses over 30,000 s.f in the Highway Industrial district shall be subject to the following minimum special permit criteria.

- Minimum lot size 80,000 s.f.
- At least 40% of the fifty foot front yard setback as defined by this by-law, shall be landscaped with native species and drought resistant plant materials and shall be required to have one tree for every twenty-five feet of frontage. At the time of planting each tree shall have a trunk width of at least three inches measured at a point six inches above grade. The spacing of the trees shall be at the discretion of the developer but shall not be of a manner that reduces visibility at points of access or egress from the site. Further, the required landscaped area shall contain an arrangement of plantings, shrubbery or evergreen material that within two years of planting shall attain a height of at lease thirty-six inches. The line of plant materials shall be located at least ten feet from the street line but not necessarily in a straight row. Further, they shall not be placed and maintained so as to impede safe access to or egress from the site. All other surface areas of the landscaped portion of the front yard setback shall be planted with a ground cover, grass or mulching, where appropriate.
- Interior landscaping within parking areas shall represent 15% of the total area to attempt to eliminate excessive heat from the parking lot and to provide shaded parking spaces.
- All lighting for parking or building illumination shall be directed onto the lot at all times; a lighting plan to this effect shall be prepared for review by the special permit granting authority.

7. Amend Section 6.4.1.1 by adding in e. following "Retail" the words "under 30,000 s.f."; relettering existing f., g., h., i. and j. to g., h., i., j. and k. and adding a new 6.4.1.1.f as follows:

f.	Retail over 30,000 s.f.	1 space per 400 s.f. of gross floor area

8. Amend Section 6.8.3.b by deleting the words "Industrial Park (IP)" and adding "Highway Industrial (HI)."

or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Sorrentino, and seconded by Mr. Caira, the Town of Wilmington voted 60 in favor 21 opposed, motion passes by two-thirds.

MOTION OF RECONSIDERATION: Defeated.

ARTICLE 22. (drawn #20) To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 3 of the Zoning By-law by adding the following new subsection 3.9, Inclusionary Housing, as follows:

3.9 Inclusionary Housing

3.9.1 Purposes and Intent -- The purposes of the Inclusionary Housing Bylaw are to provide housing units affordable for low- or moderate-income households; encourage more housing choices in the Town of Wilmington; promote geographic distribution of affordable housing units throughout the Town and avoid over-concentration; and assist the Town in creating units eligible for the Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory through means other than a comprehensive permit.

3.9.2 Applicability -- This section shall apply to any development with twelve (12) or more residential lots or twelve (12) or more residential dwelling units in any zoning district within the Town. Developments shall not be segmented to avoid compliance with this section. Divisions of land that would cumulatively result in an increase by twelve (12) or more residential lots or dwelling units above the number existing on any parcel or any contiguous parcels in common ownership twenty-four months earlier are subject to the Inclusionary Housing requirements set forth hereunder.

3.9.3 Definitions -- For purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

3.9.3.1 Affordable Housing (or Affordable Unit) -- A dwelling unit that is affordable to and occupied by a low- or moderate-income household and meets the requirements of the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development ("DHCD") or any successor agency for inclusion on the Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory.

3.9.3.2 Affordable Housing Restriction -- A contract, mortgage agreement, deed restriction, or other legal instrument, acceptable in form and substance to the Town of Wilmington, that effectively restricts occupancy of an affordable housing unit to a qualified purchaser or qualified renter, and which provides for administration, monitoring and enforcement of the restriction during the term of affordability. An affordable housing restriction shall run with the land in perpetuity or for the maximum period of time allowed by law, so as to be binding on and enforceable against any person claiming an interest in the property. An affordable housing restriction shall be enforceable under the provisions of G.L. C.184, § 31-33, as amended, and shall be approved by DHCD.

3.9.3.3 Affordable Housing Fund -- A fund account established and operated by the Town for the purpose of creating or preserving affordable housing opportunities in the Town of Wilmington.

3.9.3.4 Local Initiative Program -- A program administered by DHCD for local affordable housing initiatives that do not require a comprehensive permit.

3.9.3.5 Low- or Moderate-Income Household -- A household with income at or below 80% of area median income, adjusted for household size, that applies to the Town of Wilmington as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

3.9.3.6 Maximum Affordable Purchase Price or Rent -- A selling price or monthly rent that does not exceed the maximum allowable purchase price or rent guidelines of DHCD.

3.9.3.7 Qualified Purchaser -- A low- or moderate-income household that purchases and occupies an affordable housing unit as its principal residence.

3.9.3.8 Qualified Renter -- A low- or moderate-income household that rents and occupies an affordable housing unit as a tenant.

3.9.3.9 Subsidized Housing Inventory -- The DHCD Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory.

3.9.4 Special Permit Required – No building permits shall be issued for a development subject to this section except in accordance with a special permit granted by the Planning Board.

3.9.5 Mandatory Provision of Affordable Housing Units

3.9.5.1 In any development subject to this section, at least ten percent of the dwelling units shall be affordable housing. In the instance of a fraction, the fraction shall be rounded to the nearest whole number.

3.9.5.2 The affordable housing units shall be <u>in addition to</u> the number of units allowed as of right in the applicable zoning district, in full conformance with all zoning, subdivision regulations, health regulations, wetlands regulations and other applicable requirements. The proponent shall have the burden of proof with regard to the design and engineering specifications for such as-of-right development.

3.9.5.3 To accommodate the affordable housing as additional units in the development, the Planning Board may, in granting a special permit, authorize a reduction in the minimum lot area, minimum lot frontage and/or minimum lot width that would normally apply, as determined in accordance with Section 5 and Table II of this bylaw, provided that:

a. No lot shall contain less than sixty percent (60%) of the minimum lot area nor less than eighty percent (80%) of the minimum lot frontage set forth in Table II; and

b. Any lot abutting an existing single-family dwelling and any lot with frontage on an existing public way shall conform in all respects with the dimensional regulations in Table II.

3.9.5.4 For multi-family residential uses, the affordable units shall be in addition to the number of units allowed under the maximum density regulations for multi-family uses in the applicable zoning district. The Planning Board may, in granting a special permit, authorize an increase in the maximum number of dwelling units per square feet of lot area only to the extent necessary to accommodate the affordable units in the development.

3.9.5.5 Except as provided in Section 3.9.6 below, the affordable units shall be constructed on the same parcel or tract of land as the proposed development and shall be integrated within the development ("on-site units").

3.9.5.6 Nothing in this section shall preclude a proponent from providing more affordable units than the minimum number of affordable units required herein.

3.9.6 Alternative Methods of Providing Affordable Housing Units -- The Planning Board may approve, in addition to or in lieu of on-site affordable units, any of the following methods for the provision of affordable housing:

3.9.6.1 The affordable housing units may be constructed or rehabilitated on a site different from that of the proposed development. The Planning Board may allow the proponent to develop, construct or otherwise provide affordable units reasonably equivalent to those required by this section in another location within the Town of Wilmington. The requirements that apply to on-site affordable units shall also apply to off-site affordable units. The location of the off-site units shall be approved by the Planning Board as an integral element of the development review and approval process.

3.9.6.2 In any development that is required to provide two or more affordable housing units under Section 3.9.5 above, the Planning Board may allow the proponent to make a cash payment to the Town through its Affordable Housing Fund for up to one-half of the required number of affordable units. The cash payment per unit shall be in accordance with the following formula: two times an amount equal to eighty percent (80%) of the area median income that applies to the Town of Wilmington, as determined by HUD.

3.9.7 General Provisions

3.9.7.1 The Planning Board shall be charged with administering this section and shall promulgate rules and regulations, including but not limited to submission requirements and procedures, application and review fees, minimum requirements for a marketing plan, and documentation required by the Town or DHCD to meet requirements for inclusion in the Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory.

3.9.7.2 Affordable units shall be dispersed throughout the lots or building(s) in a development and shall be comparable to the proposed market-rate units in terms of location, construction quality, number of bedrooms and external appearance.

3.9.7.3 The selection of qualified purchasers or qualified renters shall be carried out under a marketing plan approved by the Planning Director. The marketing plan shall describe how the applicant will accommodate the Town of Wilmington's local preference policy, if any.

3.9.7.4 Prior to the issuance of any building permits for the development, the proponent shall be responsible for providing the Planning Department with all information required by DHCD in order for the affordable units to be included on the Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory.

3.9.8 Timing of Construction

3.9.8.1 Unless a different schedule is approved by the Planning Board as a condition of the special permit, no building permits shall be issued for market-rate units in the development except in proportion to the number of affordable units, and affordable units shall not be the last units constructed in the development. For example, in a development of

sixteen units, two of which must be affordable, a building permit shall be issued for the first affordable unit before a building permit can be issued for the eighth market-rate unit, and a building permit shall be issued for the second affordable unit before a building permit can be issued for the last market-rate unit.

3.9.8.2 No Certificate of Occupancy for an affordable unit shall be issued until the proponent submits documentation to the Building Inspector that an affordable housing restriction has been approved by the Planning Board and DHCD.

3.9.9 Preservation of Affordability; Restrictions on Resale

3.9.9.1 Each affordable housing unit created under this section shall be subject to an affordable housing restriction as defined in Section 3.9.3, recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds, containing limitations on use, resale and rents. The affordable housing restriction shall meet the requirements of the Town and DHCD, and shall be in force for the maximum period allowed by law.

3.9.9.2 All documents necessary to ensure compliance with this section shall be subject to review and approval by the Planning Board and, where applicable, Town Counsel. Such documents shall be executed prior to and as a condition of the issuance of any Certificate of Occupancy.

3.9.10 Severability -- If any portion of this section is declared invalid, the remainder shall continue to be in full force and effect.

or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended disapproval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: The Town of Wilmington voted to passover Article 22.

ARTICLE 23. (drawn #26) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to request the State Legislature to authorize Darryl Sencabaugh be allowed to have his test results for the Massachusetts Fire Fighters Civil Service Exam (April 2008) be allowed for any employment consideration as a fire fighter in the Town of Wilmington. Notwithstanding the provisions of the general laws, rules or regulations to the contrary regulating age of applicants for appointment as a fire fighter in the said town and provided he meets all other requirements, he shall be eligible for certification and appointment to the Fire Department of Wilmington subject to the appointment of the appointing authority; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Daryl Sencabaugh, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve Article 23.

ARTICLE 24. (drawn #18) To see if the Town will pass an article to give Tax Relief to seniors sixty-five (65) and older to receive a five percent (5%) reduction on tax bills. Also to be included is a five percent (5%) increase every five (5) year period (i.e.: 65 = 5%; 70 = 10%; 75 = 15% etc). Requirements: Five years Wilmington residency and home ownership; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended disapproval of this Article.

AMENDMENT: To move that the Town of Wilmington vote to request Tax Relief for seniors sixty-five (65) and older to receive a five percent (5%) reduction on tax bills. Also, to be included is a five percent (5%) increase every five (5) year period (i.e.: 65=5%, 7-=10%, 75=15%). Requirements: Five years Wilmington residency and home ownership and further that this article (if approved) be sent to the Wilmington State Legislative Delegation for their consideration.

AMENDED MOTION: On motion of Mr. Michael Bodner, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted in the affirmative to amend Article 24.

MAIN MOTION: On motion of Mr. Michael Bodner, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted in the affirmative to approve Article 24 as amended. (2 opposed)

ARTICLE 25. (drawn #24) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law and associated Zoning Map of the Town of Wilmington by voting to rezone from General Business (GB) to Central Business (CB) the following parcel of land. The land is located at and known as 362 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887 as more fully described in deed recorded in Middlesex North District registry of Deeds, Book 5712, Page 99, Lot 6A, said premises containing 94,960.8 square feet of land. 362 Middlesex Avenue is located on the Town Assessor's Map 89, Parcel 6A; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article. This Article will allow for mixed use development on this lot.

Many residents spoke in opposition of this article.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. John Forrest, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted 47 in favor 50 opposed to approve Article 25. Motion fails.

MOTION OF RECONSIDERATION: Motion fails.

ARTICLE 26. (drawn #25) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement, the terms of which shall be as determined by the Selectmen, to sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, all or part of the following described parcels, following a determination made by the Town Manager that the land is not needed for any municipal purpose, and in accordance with Chapter 3, Section 16 of the By-laws of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington Revised, and other applicable law. The parcel located on Nickerson Avenue, described in the Assessor's records as Map 72, Parcel 23; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article with a restriction stating no development can occur on this portion of the lot.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Hanson, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve Article 26.

ARTICLE 27. (drawn #19) To see if the Town of Wilmington will vote to authorize transfer of the care, custody, management and control of a certain parcel of land owned by the Town of Wilmington hereafter described to the Selectmen of the Town of Wilmington, said land having been determined to be no longer needed for any municipal purpose, and for the express purpose of conveying the same, all in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B; and further that the Selectman be and hereby authorized to grant and convey such interest in the land as is owned by the Town of Wilmington and upon such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Selectman in accordance with Chapter 3, Section 16 of the By-laws of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington Revised. Said parcel and interest is described as Map 6, Parcel 19A; or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article contingent upon determination of surplus.

Planning Board offered no recommendation.

MOTION: On motion of Mr. Doherty, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted to Passover Article 27. (Land was not considered surplus by Town Manager)

ARTICLE 28. (drawn #17) To see if the Town will vote to relinquish, sell and convey a portion of certain easement rights held by the Town in a parcel of land identified as Parcel 2N on Assessor's Map 5, and being further described hereinafter, for a price to be determined by the Town Assessor.

Description

An area, described as "Easement Area to be Abandoned" consisting of 1,537 +/- square feet of land as shown on a Plan Entitled "Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass. Dated May 10, 2007, Hayes Engineering, Inc., Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors" being a portion of an easement for drainage granted to the Town of Wilmington by Mark A. Lopez, Trustee of Marcy Realty Trust, which grant of easement is dated April 9, 1996 and is recorded with Middlesex North Registry of Deeds at Book 8296, Page 256, and which easement is further described as:

A parcel of land in Wilmington, Massachusetts describing and conveying drainage easement rights to the Town of Wilmington as shown on Definitive Subdivision Plan entitled "Plan of Land, Lots 15-26, Marion Street, Wilmington, MA., H-Star Engineering, Inc.", Dated March 15, 1994 with revisions through July 8, 1994, which plan is recorded with Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 192, Page 106 and which easement area is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point South 70-11'-56" East, 83.93 feet from the end of a 210.59 foot curve with a radius of 340.00 feet to the left on the southerly side of Marion Street;

Thence running South 26-47'-06" West, 104.48 feet to a point;

Thence running North 65-15'-46" West, 92.09 feet to a point;

Thence running South 47-22'-00" West, 100.00 feet to a point;

Thence running South 56-02'-48" East, 164.49 feet to a point;

Thence running North 47-22'-00" East, 100.00 feet to a point;

Thence running North 39-10'-12" West, 45.08 feet to a point;

Thence running North 26-47'-06" East, 113.60 feet to a point;

Thence running North 70-11'-56" West, 30.22 feet along Marion Street to the point of beginning;

or take any other action related thereto.

Finance Committee recommended approval of this Article.

Planning Board recommended approval of this Article.

> MOTION: On motion of Mr. Robert Farrell, and duly seconded, the Town of Wilmington voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve Article 28.

The Annual Town Meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m. A total of 252 registered voters attended the meeting.

STATE PRIMARY SEPTEMBER 16, 2008
WITH ACTION TAKEN THEREON

TO: THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections at the Boutwell School- Precincts 1 and 2; Wildwood School- Precincts 3 and 4; and Town Hall- 121 Glen Road Precincts 5 and 6 on Tuesday, the sixteenth day of September, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Primary for the candidates of the political parties for the following officers:

Senator in Congress	For the Commonwealth
Representative in Congress	Sixth Congressional District
Councilor	Fifth Congressional District
Senator in General Court	1st Essex & Middlesex District
Representative in General Court	Nineteenth District
Register of Probate	Middlesex County
County Commissioners	Middlesex County
County Treasurer	Middlesex County

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Senator in Congress	
John F. Kerry	845
Edward J. O'Reilly	696
All Others	0
Blanks	15
Total	1,556

Representative in Congress	
John F. Tierney	1,165
All Others	14
Blanks	377
Total	1,556

Councillor	
Mary-Ellen Manning	789
Timothy P. Houten	417
All Others	6
Blanks	344
Total	1,556

Senator in General Court	
No Nomination	0
All Others	241
Blanks	1,315
Total	1,556

Representative in General Court (19th)	
James R. Miceli	1,034
All Others	21
Blanks	281
Total	1,336

Representative in General Court (21st)	
Charles A. Murphy	159
All Others	1
Blanks	60
Total	220

Register of Probate	
John R. Buonomo	770
Sean T. O'Donovan	75
All Others	46
Blanks	665
Total	1,556

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Senator in Congress	
Jeffrey K. Beatty	245
All Others	3
Blanks	19
Total	267

Representative in Congress	
Richard A. Baker	241
All Others	0
Blanks	26
Total	267

Councillor
No Nomination and no votes cast.

Senator in General Court	
Bruce E. Tarr	244
All Others	0
Blanks	23
Total	267

Representative in Congress 19th
No Nomination and no votes cast.

Representative in Congress 21st
No Nomination and no votes cast.

Register in Probate	
Sean T. O'Donovan	14
All Others	47
Blanks	206
Total	267

GREEN-RAINBOW PARTY
There were no nominations or votes cast in the State Primary.

WORKING FAMILIES PARTY
There were no nominations or votes cast in the State Primary.

All polling places were opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. A total of 1,556 registered voters cast ballots on September 16, 2008, which represents approximately 10% of 15,378 registered voters.

STATE ELECTION – NOVEMBER 4, 2008
WITH ACTION TAKEN THEREON

TO: THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections at the Boutwell School- Precincts 1 and 2; Wildwood School- Precincts 3 and 4; and Town Hall- 121 Glen Road Precincts 5 and 6 on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Election for the candidates of the political parties for the following officers:

Electors of President & Vice President	Statewide
Senator in Congress	Statewide
Representative in Congress	6th Congressional District
Councillor	5th District
Senator in General Court	1st Essex & Middlesex
Representative General Court	19th Middlesex District
Representative in General Court	21st Middlesex – Precinct 3
Registrar of Probate	Middlesex District

Electors of President & Vice President	
Baldwin and Castle -- Constitution	14
Barr and Root -- Libertarian	45
McCain and Palin -- Republican	5,923
McKinney and Clemente -- Green-Rainbow	17
Nader and Gonzalez -- Independent	125
Obama and Biden -- Democrat	5,812
Blanks	64
Write in	42
Total	12,042

Senator in Congress	
John F. Kerry -- Democrat	6,609
Jeffrey K. Beatty -- Republican	4,709
Robert J. Underwood -- Libertarian	354
Blanks	367
Write in	6
Total	12,042

Representative in Congress	
John F. Tierney -- Democrat	7,743
Richard A. Baker -- Republican	3,708
Blanks	874
Write in	17
Total	12,042

Councillor	
Mary-Ellen Manning -- Democrat	7,801
Blanks	4,110
Write in	131
Total	12,042

Senator in General Court	
Bruce E. Tarr -- Republican	8,537
Blanks	3,419
Write in	86
Total	12,042

Representative in General Court (19th)	
James R. Miceli -- Democrat	7,732
Blanks	2,128
Write in	114
Total	9,974

Representative in General Court (21st)	
Charles A. Murphy -- Democrat	1,347
Blanks	706
Write in	15
Total	2,068

Registrar in Probate	
Tara DeCristofaro -- Democrat	7,724
Blanks	4,218
Write in	100
Total	12,042

Questions

Question One – Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law that would reduce the state personal income tax rate to 2.65% for all categories of taxable income for the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and would eliminate the tax for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010?

Yes	3,809
No	7,791
Blanks	262
Write in	0
Total	12,042

Question Two – Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law that would replace the criminal penalties for possession of one ounce or less of marijuana with a new system of civil penalties, to be enforced by issuing citations and would exclude information regarding this civil offense from the state's criminal record information system?

Yes	7,306
No	4,519
Blanks	217
Write in	0
Total	12,042

Question Three – Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law that would prohibit any dog racing or racing meeting in Massachusetts where any form of betting or wagering on the speed or ability of dogs occurs?

Yes	5,938
No	5,829
Blanks	275
Write in	0
Total	12,042

Question Four (Precinct 3 only) – This Question is Not Binding

Shall the state representative of this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation that would allow seriously ill patients, with their doctor's written recommendation, to posses and grow small amounts of marijuana for their personal medical use?

Yes	1,250
No	563
Blanks	255
Write in	0
Total	2,068

Our three polling districts were opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. Election Day in Wilmington proved to be extremely busy with a very heavy volume in the morning; with a continued steady pace throughout the day. The number of ballots cast was 12, 042, which represented 76% of our 15,845 registered voters. The Town Clerk's office would like to thank all Town Departments; and special thanks to Carolyn Kenney, Asst. Town Clerk, Phyllis Vieira, Senior Clerk and all of our terrific poll workers.

Butters Farmhouse on Chestnut Street.

Directory of Officials - January 1, 2009

Board of Selectmen	Michael J. Newhouse, Chairman	2010
	Charles R. Fiore, Jr.	2009
	Louis Cimaglia, IV	2010
	Raymond N. Lepore	2011
	Michael V. McCoy	2011
Town Manager	Michael A. Caira	
Moderator	James C. Stewart	2009
School Committee	Margaret A. Kane, Chairman	2010
	Steven J. Higgins, Vice Chairman	2011
	Kimberly M. Peterson, Secretary	2009
	Suzanne S. Cushing	2009
	Joan M. Duffy	2010
	Judith L. O'Connell	2010
	Leslee A. Quick	2011
Superintendent of Schools	Joanne M. Benton	
Finance Committee	John F. Doherty, III, Chairman	2011
	Richard K. Hayden, Secretary	2009
	Bernard P. Nally, Jr.	2009
	William J. Wallace	2009
	Victoria L. Ellsworth	2010
	Daniel C. Wandell, Jr.	2010
	Theresa M. Manganelli	2011
	Robert P. Palmer	2011

Boards, Committees & Commissions - January 1, 2009

Appeals, Board of

	Term Expires
Charles E. Boyle, Chairman	2011
Robert L. Doucette	2009
Edward P. Loud	2010
Robert H. Spencer	2012
Daniel J. Veerman	2013

Assessors, Board of

Humphrey J. Moynihan, Principal Assessor
Anthony E. Krzeminski

By-Law Study Committee

Robert H. Spencer, Chairman
James F. Banda
Scott C. Garrant
Walter J. Kaminski
Joan D. Searfoss
Selectman Liaison
Sharon A. George, Ex-Officio

Cable TV Advisory Task Force

Jeffrey M. Hull, Chairman
Donna Gacek
Neil Ellis

Carter Lecture Fund Committee

H. Elizabeth White, Chairperson	2010
Ann H. Berghaus, Rec. Sec.	2009
Adele C. Passmore, Publicity	2010
Andrea B. Houser, Corr. Sec.	2011
Margaret A. St. Onge	2009

Cemetery Commission

Cynthia A. McCue, Chairman	2010
Judith A. Simmons	2009
Stephen P. Berghaus	2011

Conservation Commission

Beverly A. Shea, Chairman	2011
Vincent Licciardi, Vice Chairman	2009
Mario S. Marchese	2009
Frank J. Ingram	2010
Donald J. Pearson	2010
Judith A. Waterhouse	2010
Thomas Siracusa	2011

Disabilities, Commission on

	Term Expires
Phyllis P. Genetti, Chairman	2011
George B. O'Connell	2009
Frank A. Botte	2010
Joseph P. Franceschi, Jr.	2010
Selectman Liaison	

Elderly Services Commission

David Landers, Chairman	2009
Albert J. LaValle	2009
John J. King	2010
Francis Sferrazza	2010
Mary Smith	2010
Rosemary K. Cross	2011
Carol Hulburt	2011

Emergency Management Committee

Michael A. Caira
Jeffrey M. Hull
Michael R. Begonis
Edward G. Bradbury, Jr.
George W. Hooper, II
Michael Morris
Shelly M. Newhouse
Donald N. Onusseit
John T. Spaulding
Michael J. Woods

Health, Board of

Elizabeth E. Sabounjian, Chairman	2011
James A. Ficociello, V. Chairman	2010
Jane A. Williams-Vale	2009

Historical Commission

Carolyn R. Harris, Chairman	2008
William J. Campbell	2009
Kathleen Black-Reynolds	2009
Robert R. Butters, Jr.	2010
Bonny A. Smith	2010
Gerald R. Duggan	2011
Julie O'Brien Fennell	2011

Boards, Committees & Commissions - January 1, 2009

Housing Authority

	Term Expires
Robert C. DiPasquale, Chairman	2013
Leona C. Bombard	2010
John P. Goggin	2011
Matthew R. Cox	2012

Housing Partnership

Raymond G. Forest, Chairman	2009
John P. Goggin	2009
Cynthia A. McCue	2009
Raymond N. Lepore, Sel. Liason	

Library Trustees

Karen E. Campbell, Chairman	2009
Donald J. Pearson, Vice Chairman	2010
Joan S. Grady	2009
Susanne L. Clarkin	2010
James F. Banda	2011
Eileen L. MacDougall	2011
Anne Buzzell, Trustee Emeritus	

Master Plan Committee

Randi R. Holland, Chairman
Michael A. Sorrentino, Vice Chairman
Stephen J. Costa
Rosemary K. Cross
Robert C. DiPasquale
Raymond G. Forest
William F. C. Gately
Carolyn R. Harris
Arthur Hayden, Sr.
Steven J. Higgins
Jeffrey M. Hull
Sidney R. Kaizer
Vincent Licciardi
Kenneth J. Lifton
Debra L. Russo
Karl I. Sagal
Beverly A. Shea
Martha K. Stevenson
Daniel E. Woodbury
Ann L. Yurek
Charles R. Fiore, Selectmen Liaison

Open Space & Recreation

Judith A. Waterhouse
Betty M. Bigwood
Charles Michael Burns
Francis Dellapelle
Michael Fay
Richard H. Grinder, Jr.
Jeffrey M. Hull
Mark Kennedy
Kenneth J. Lifton
Mark Nasiff
Beverly A. Shea
Martha K. Stevenson
Louis Cimaglia, IV, Selectman Liaison
Winifred McGowan, Coordinator

Permanent Building Committee

George W. Hooper, II, Chairman	2011
Joseph A. Langone	2009
Paul J. Melaragni	2009
Joseph J. Parrella, Jr.	2010
John C. Holloway	2011

Planning Board

Michael A. Sorrentino, Chairman	2012
Ann L. Yurek, Clerk	2009
Randi R. Holland	2010
Brian T. Corrigan	2011
James F. Banda, Jr.	2013

Recreation Commission

C. Michael Burns, Chairman	2011
Sheila Burke, Vice Chairman	2009
Maribeth Crupi	2009
Charles Biondo	2010
Mark Kennedy	2010

Redevelopment Authority

Charles N. Gilbert, Chairman	2011
John Goggin	2009
Sidney R. Kaizer	2012

Regional Vocational Technical School Committee

James M. Gillis	2009
Robert G. Peterson	2010

Boards, Committees & Commissions - January 1, 2009

	Term Expires
Registrars, Board of	
Alice M. Hooper, Chairman	2009
Priscilla R. Ward	2010
Edward L. Sousa	2011
Sharon A. George, Clerk	
Scholarship Fund Committee	
Joanne M. Benton, Chairman	2011
Rita Boudreau	2011
John J. DeMarco	2011
Carol A. King	2011
Robert G. Peterson	2011
Trustees of Trust Funds	
Michael Morris, Chairman	2009
Lorraine P. Dineen	2009
Pamela L. MacKenzie	2009

	Term Expires
Water and Sewer Commissioners	
Joseph J. Balliro, Jr., Chairman	2010
Matthew J. Kane	2009
George R. Allan	2011
Wilmington Arts Council	
Jane M. Crane, Chairman	2009
H. Elizabeth White*	2009
Barbara Forrestall	2009
Marguerite Elia	2010
Linda Molloy	2010

* Advisory Board Member

Boards, Committees & Commissions - January 1, 2009

Wilmington Election Officers – Term Expires Annually

Precinct 1

Mary D'Eon, Warden
Priscilla R. Ward, Deputy Warden
Mary Schultz, Deputy Clerk
Clarice J. Ross, Inspector
Wendy Diecidue, Alternate
Kim Mytych, Alternate
Denise Robarge, Alternate

Precinct 3

Patricia McKenna, Warden
Shirley Brush, Inspector
Loretta R. Caira, Inspector
Carol King, Inspector
Janice Quandt, Inspector
Alma D'Antonio, Alternate
Susan Delaney, Alternate
Ruth Holbrook, Alternate
Taryn Martiniello, Alternate
Michele Nortonen, Alternate

Precinct 5

Nita Beals, Warden
Maureen Fiorenza, Deputy Warden
Barbara Forrestall, Inspector
Jeanne Grant, Inspector
Cynthia McCue, Inspector
Judith A. Simmons, Inspector
Lorraine Chase, Alternate
Beverly Dalton, Alternate
Francine Hersom, Alternate

Precinct 2

Alfred Antinarelli, Warden
Jeanne Buck, Deputy Warden
Betty Roberts, Deputy Clerk
Helen Brady, Inspector
Andrea Houser, Inspector
Robert J. Sweet, Inspector
Susan McNamara, Alternate
Joyce Murray, Alternate
Gayle Regan, Alternate
Audrey E. Riddle, Alternate

Precinct 4

Sarah H. Cosman, Warden
Joan Searfoss, Deputy Warden
Marilyn West, Deputy Clerk
Gail Gass, Inspector
Phyllis Hailey, Inspector
Florence Webster, Inspector
Joanna E. Clayton, Alternate
Linda DeMole, Alternate
Julia Doten, Alternate
Lorraine A. Hermann, Alternate
Mary Lunetta, Alternate
Deborah Steen, Alternate

Precinct 6

Donald Armstrong, Warden
Jean C. Lefavour, Inspector
Mary F. Kiesinger, Inspector
Jean Mazzocca, Inspector
Lillian Gigliotti, Alternate
Mary Larffarello, Alternate
Laurie Mathews, Alternate
Joanne Roberto, Alternate
Mary Ann Steen, Alternate
Margaret White, Alternate

Officers and Department Heads - January 1, 2009

Accountant		Michael Morris	694-2029
Administrative Assistant		Beverly J. Dalton	658-3311
Animal Control/Inspector		Ellen G. Davis Sawyer	658-7845
Assistant Town Manager		Jeffrey M. Hull	658-3311
Assessor, Principal		Humphrey J. Moynihan	658-3675
Constable		Charles E. Rooney, Jr.	658-6140
Elderly Services Director		Theresa Marciello	657-7595
Emergency Management Director		Edmund J. Corcoran	658-3346
Engineering Director		Anthony Pronski	658-4499
Fire Chief		Edward G. Bradbury	658-3346
Housing Authority Executive Director		Theresa Georgopoulos	658-8531
Inspector of Buildings		John T. Spaulding	658-4531
Librarian		Christina A. Stewart	658-2967
Mass. Bay Transportation Authority Advisory Board		Michael V. McCoy	658-3311
Mass. Water Resource Authority Advisory Board		Michael J. Woods	658-4711
Metropolitan Area Planning Council		Carole S. Hamilton	658-8238
Middlesex Canal Commission		Betty M. Bigwood Michael J. McInnis	657-7870
Museum Curator		Theresa McDermott	658-5475
Planning/Conservation Director		Carole S. Hamilton	658-8238
Plumbing and Gas Inspector		Paul Raffi	658-4531
Police Chief		Michael R. Begonis	658-5071
Public Buildings Superintendent	*	George W. Hooper, II	658-3017
Public Health Director	**	Shelly M. Newhouse	658-4298
Public Health Nurse		Judy Baggs, R.N.	694-2041
Public Works Superintendent		Donald N. Onusseit	658-4481
Reading Municipal Light Dept. Advisory Board	*	George W. Hooper, II A. Quincy Vale	658-3017 988-7545
Recreation Director		Deborah E. Cipriani	658-4270
Sealer of Weights and Measures		Charles H. Carroll	(617) 727-3480 x 21131
Town Clerk		Sharon A. George	658-2030
Town Counsel		Paul DeRensis	(617) 951-2300
Town Manager		Michael A. Caira	658-3311
Treasurer/Collector		Pamela L. MacKenzie	658-3531
Veterans' Agent/Grave Officer		Louis Cimaglia, IV	694-2040
Water & Sewer Superintendent		Michael J. Woods	658-4711
Wiring Inspector		Frederick Sutter	658-4531

* Replaced Roger Lessard, January 19, 2009

** Replaced Gregory Erickson, January 13, 2009

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Board of Selectmen (Meeting dates - 2nd & 4th Monday evening 7:00 p.m.)

The Board of Selectmen is recognized by the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as the town's chief elected officials. The Board is responsible for appointing the Town Manager, the Board of Appeals, the Town Counsel and the Town Accountant. The Selectmen are also responsible for issuing numerous licenses including alcohol licenses, common victualer licenses and licenses to operate automobile dealerships. The Selectmen serve on a part-time basis.

Phone 658-3311

Michael J. Newhouse, Chairman
Louis Cimaglia, IV
Charles, R. Fiore, Jr.
Raymond N. Lepore
Michael V. McCoy

Town Manager - Michael A. Caira - 658-3311

The Town Manager is the Chief Administrative Officer of the town. He supervises and directs the administration of all departments, boards and commissions except for the Board of Selectmen, Town Moderator, Finance Committee, Schools, Board of Appeals, Election Officers and Registrars of Voters. His duties include the appointment and removal, if necessary, of staff and members of certain boards and commissions; attendance at all regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Selectmen to advise and recommend specific courses of action regarding issues affecting the town; representing the town in all litigation to which the town is a party; acting as the Chief Fiscal Officer of the town; preparation and administration of a comprehensive annual budget and directing the procurement of all goods and services on behalf of the town.

Assistant Town Manager - Jeffrey M. Hull - 658-3311

The Assistant Town Manager is responsible for the town's health, workmens' compensation, general liability, property, automobile, etc. insurances; developing the town's recycling program and insuring that the town meets the procurement regulations established by the State. The Assistant Town Manager serves as staff director to the Cable TV Advisory Task Force; assists with the preparation of the annual budget and provides general assistance to the Town Manager in other areas of municipal administration.

Town Clerk – Sharon A. George - 658-2030

State law assigns duties to the Town Clerk in three major areas, the keeping of records and documents, the issuance of licenses and the administration of elections. In terms of the town records the Clerk records proceedings of all town meetings and elections. The Town Clerk is Registrar of all vital statistics and Filing Officer for birth and death certificates, zoning decisions, etc. The Clerk's office also issues marriage licenses, fish and game licenses, dog licenses, etc. The clerk acts as supervisor of all elections and serves as clerk of the Board of Registrars.

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Town Accountant - Michael Morris - 694-2029

The Accounting Department reviews all requests for payment which involve town funds. The department prepares warrants on a weekly basis for payment of all bills owed by the town. The Accountant maintains the complete official financial records of the town and prepares other financial records and reports as needed. Additionally, this office participates in the preparation of the annual budget.

Principal Assessor - Humphrey J. "Skip" Moynihan - 658-3675

The main responsibility of the Board of Assessors is to levy the property taxes necessary to meet appropriations and to insure that taxes are allocated equitably on the basis of the property owned by each taxpayer. The assessors are required to compute the tax rate and assess all real and personal property within the town at fair-market value i.e. close to the true market value, except for property qualifying for preferential assessments such as forest, agricultural or recreation land. Tax rates depend on three factors: (1) the valuation of taxable property, (2) the tax levy or amount to be raised from property taxation and (3) property classification.

Treasurer/Collector – Pamela L. MacKenzie - 658-3531

The Treasurer/Collector is responsible for the billing and collection of monies due the town including property and motor vehicle excise taxes and charges for water, sewer and ambulance services. This department is responsible for preparing the weekly payroll. The Treasurer/Collector monitors the town's cash flow and arranges for short-term and long-term borrowing. The department serves as custodian of all town funds. All municipal bank accounts are controlled by this office. The tax title and foreclosure proceedings for non-payment of taxes are handled by the Treasurer/Collector.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning/Conservation Director - Carole S. Hamilton - 658-8238

The major responsibilities of the Planning Department are to: undertake studies of land use, economic development, housing, transportation and other matters related to community development; compile and maintain maps, statistics and records related to land use and development; review individual proposals for development and for compliance with the subdivision regulations and zoning by-law; and prepare applications and administer grants related to planning and development.

The primary function of the Conservation Department is the administration and enforcement of the Wetlands Protection Act - Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40. The Act is intended to protect seven public interest issues related to wetlands: flood control, storm damage prevention, protection of public and private water supply, protection of ground water supply, prevention of pollution, protection of fisheries and protection of land containing shellfish. Some of the department's responsibilities include reviewing and inspecting development projects to insure their compliance with the town and State wetlands statutes. In addition, the department manages several pieces of property throughout town which have been placed into the town's custody as conservation land.

Building Inspector – John T. Spaulding - 658-4531

The Building Inspector interprets and enforces the town's Zoning By-law, the State Uniform Building Code and certain other State codes. This department provides assistance to the Zoning Board of Appeals, architects, engineers, contractors and individual property owners in preparing zoning cases, plans and permit applications. The Building Inspector is responsible for plumbing, gas fitting and wiring inspections.

Director of Public Health – Shelly M. Newhouse - 658-4298

The department provides two primary types of service. Inspectional services include restaurant, retail food stores, cafeterias in industrial buildings and schools, all mobile food trucks, ice cream trucks and caterers. In addition, the department conducts percolation tests for the location of septic systems, septic system inspections, nuisance inspections and responds to citizen complaints regarding dumping, air pollution and noise pollution and hazardous waste spills. The department provides public nursing services. This includes an annual rabies clinic for dogs and immunization for influenza, pneumonia, polio and various other diseases. The Town Nurse provides blood pressure and cholesterol screenings to town residents. In addition, the nurse provides home health care visits to elderly residents of the town.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Fire Chief – Edward G. Bradbury - 658-3346 -- Emergency Number - **9-1-1**

The main responsibilities of the Wilmington Fire Department are prevention and extinguishing of fires. Members of the department make regular fire safety inspections of nursing homes, places of public assembly and schools. All outdoor burning is regulated by law. These permits may be obtained from the Fire Department. The department also issues permits for oil burner installations, the storage of flammable liquids such as gasoline and the purchase, storage and/or use of explosives such as dynamite, rockets and gun powder. The Fire Department provides emergency medical services to residents of Wilmington. Fire fighters trained as Emergency Medical Technicians are assigned as ambulance attendants. Two ambulances provide emergency services and urgent care transport.

Police Chief - Michael R. Begonis - 658-5071 -- Emergency Number - **9-1-1**

The principle responsibility of the Wilmington Police Department is the protection of people and property through enforcement of criminal laws and traffic regulations. The department also enforces certain local by-laws and provides public education such as the DARE program. Animal Control services are provided through this department.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Superintendent - Donald N. Onusseit - 658-4481 or 658-4484

The Public Works Department is responsible for highways, trees, parks, cemeteries, water, sewers, refuse and recycling. The Highway Division is responsible for the care and maintenance of the roads, sidewalks, parking areas and traffic lights. The Engineering Division assists town departments, boards and commissions with engineering related projects, such as drainage problems, review of subdivision plans and inspection of subdivision roadway construction. The Parks & Grounds Division is responsible for the maintenance of the town's commons, parks and recreation areas. The Tree Division is responsible for the town's public shade and ornamental trees and maintenance of the trees on the Town Common. The Public Works Department is also responsible for the operation of the town's water supply, distribution, treatment systems, septic pumping stations, the sanitary sewer collection systems and the septic disposal station. These responsibilities are assumed by the Water & Sewer Department. The department operates two water treatment plants in accordance with regulations established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the federal Environmental Agency (EPA).

In addition, the Public Works Department operates a curbside recycling program for many household items, maintains a composting center for grass and leaf disposal and oversees a contract for residential solid waste collection.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT

Superintendent – George W. Hooper, II - 658-3017 or 658-8124

The Public Buildings Department is responsible for approximately 516,000 square feet of building space. The department provides custodial services for all school buildings and most of the general government buildings. In addition to the custodial services, the department repairs and maintains all of the town's municipal buildings. Public Buildings provides for the complete set-up at all town elections and the annual and special town meetings.

HUMAN SERVICES

Elderly Services Director - Theresa Marciello - 657-7595

Programs are provided for the elderly in a wide range of areas, both on an individual and group basis. Examples of the types of programs include health information, educational classes, meals on wheels, recreational activities, housing assistance, transportation and counseling. Additional services included assistance with social security and Medicaid concerns.

Library Director - Christina A. Stewart - 658-2967

Library services are provided at the Wilmington Memorial Library. The library seeks to provide basic educational, informational and recreational library services. Staff provides reference and reader services to adults and children, furnishing access to the wide spectrum of information available in books and other materials. Technical services utilizes the tools of library technology to provide the means for informational access and retrieval. The library is a member of the Merrimack Valley Library Consortium, a thirty-five member consortium of towns in the Merrimack Valley area. This membership allows library patrons to access library resources in each of the twenty-nine member towns.

Recreation Director - Deborah Cipriani - 658-4270

The Recreation Department provides a wide variety of leisure programs for children and adults. Some of the programs offered through this department include a summer swimming program for children, volleyball for adults, the Tiny Tots program, summer recreation program for children, ladies fitness, day trips to Provincetown and New York City, the Horribles Parade at Halloween and a number of other programs. In addition, the Recreation Department offers resources for travel such as discounts to Walt Disney World.

Veterans' Agent - Louis Cimaglia, IV - 694-2040

The Veterans' Agent administers a State public assistance program for veterans and their dependents who qualify. Financial aid which, is reimbursed in a large part by the Commonwealth, is rendered in the form of cash grants to cover such items as living expenses and medical bills. The Veterans' Agent also offers assistance in applying for pensions and other programs administered by the United States Veterans Administration.

Boards, Committees & Commissions

Meeting Dates & Times

Board, Committee, Commission	Date	Room	Building	Time
APPEALS, BOARD OF	2nd Wednesday	9	Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
ARTS. COUNCIL FOR THE	1ST Wednesday		Arts Center	7:00 p.m.
ASSESSORS, BOARD OF	2ND Thursday	2	Town Hall	9:00 a.m.
CABLE TV ADVISORY TASK FORCE	As Needed	CONF	Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
CARTER LECTURE FUND	As Needed			
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS	As Needed			
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	4TH Monday	9	Town Hall	9:30 a.m.
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	1ST & 3RD Wednesday	9	Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
DISABILITIES, WILMINGTON COMM.	As Needed			
ELDERLY SERVICES COMMISSION	3RD Thursday		Sr. Center	1:30 p.m.
FINANCE COMMITTEE	2ND Tuesday	9	Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
HEALTH, BOARD OF	1ST & 3RD Tuesday	9	Town Hall	5:30 p.m.
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	2ND Monday		Harnden Tavern or West Schoolhouse	7:30 p.m.
HOUSING AUTHORITY	1ST Thursday		Deming Way	10:00 a.m.
HOUSING PARTNERSHIP	2ND Wednesday	9	Town Hall	6:00 p.m.
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	3RD Tuesday		Library	7:00 p.m.
MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE	To Be Determined	9	Town Hall	
OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION	4th Wednesday	CONF	Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
PERMANENT BUILDING COMM.	As Needed		Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
PLANNING BOARD	1ST & 3RD Tuesday	9	Town Hall	7:30 p.m.
RECREATION COMMISSION	1ST Thursday	8	Town Hall	5:00 p.m.
REG. VOC./TECH. SCHOOL COMM.	Monthly		Shaw. Tech.	7:30 p.m.
REGISTRARS, BOARD OF	2ND Monday	12	Town Hall	12:00p.m.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	2ND & 4TH Wednesday	LIB	High School	7:00 p.m.
SELECTMEN, BOARD OF	2ND & 4TH Monday	9	Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
WATER & SEWER COMMISSION	3RD Tuesday	9	Town Hall	5:00 p.m.

Accepted Streets

STREET	LOCATION	LENGTH	DATE(S) ACCEPTED		
Acorn Drive	from Oakridge Circle thru cul-de-sac	385	1998		
Adams Street	from Middlesex Avenue to Parker Street	2,915	1908		
Adelaide Street	from Church Street to Middlesex Avenue	666	1976		
Agostino Drive	from Gandalf Way	999	1979		
Agostino Drive	from Agostino Drive to end of cul-de-sac	580	1996		
Aldrich Road	from Shawsheen Avenue to Billerica Line	6,740	1894		
Allgrove Lane	from Woburn Street	470	1993		
Allgrove Lane	from Allgrove Lane to dead-end	430	1996		
Allenhurst Way	from Woburn Street	1,161	1994		
Allen Park Drive	from Fairmont Avenue to Fairmont Avenue	2,319	1971	1984	
Amherst Road	from Shawsheen Ave. to end of cul-de-sac	1,500	1996		
Andover Street	from Salem Street	180	1894		
Andover Street	from Andover Line to beyond Woburn Street	11,300	1894	1970	
Andrew Street	from Aldrich Road to beyond Houghton Road	435	1985		
Anthony Avenue	from Salem Street to Catherine Avenue	300	1966		
Apache Way	from Aldrich Road thru cul-de-sac	1,675	1998		
Apollo Drive	from Charlotte Road to Draper Drive	300	1971		
Appletree Lane	from Chestnut Street to Towpath Drive	994	1990		
Arlene Avenue	from Salem Street to Ella Avenue	3,754	1966	1978	
Ashwood Avenue	from Andover Street thru cul-de-sac	2,800	1998		
Aspen Drive	from Russell Road thru cul-de-sac	320	1999		
Auburn Avenue	from Shawsheen Avenue	755	1945		
Avon Street	from Avery Street thru cul-de-sac	320	1999		
Ayotte Street	from Westdale Avenue to Crest Avenue	240	1947		
Bailey Road	from Apache Way northeasterly to Bailey Rd.	165	1998		
Bailey Road	from Aldrich Rd. southeasterly to Bailey Rd.	538	1999		
Baker Street	from Brand Avenue to beyond Phillips Ave.	684	1945		
Baker Street	from Existing Baker Street	135	2001		
Baland Road	from Ballardvale Street	540	1972		
Ballardvale St.	from Salem Street to Route 125	965	1894		
Ballardvale St.	from Route 125 to Andover Line	12,000	1894	1985	
Bancroft Street	from Liberty Street	400	1952		
Barbara Avenue	from Anthony Avenue to Dorothy Avenue	850	1966		
Beacon Street	from Church Street to Belmont Avenue	970	1915		
Beech Street	from Burlington Avenue to Byron Street	1,005	1947		
Beeching Avenue	from Cunningham Street to Faulkner Avenue	440	1959		
Belmont Avenue	from Columbia Street to State Street	980	1933		
Benson Road	from Radcliff Road to Tewksbury Line	616	1971		
Biggar Avenue	from Salem Street to Ring Avenue	1,282	1975		
Birch Road	from Birch Rd. easterly thru cul-de-sac	345	1999		
Birchwood Road	from Shady Lane Drive	1,197	1952		
Birchwood Road	from Judith Road	400	1953		
Blanchard Road	from Kendall Road	625	1989		
Blueberry Lane	from Ashwood Avenue thru cul-de-sac	1,600	1998		
Boutwell Street	from Burlington Avenue to Aldrich Road	4,144	1894	1960	1971
Brand Avenue	from Bridge Lane	510	1933	1943	
Brand Avenue	from Baker Street to beyond Wisser Street	950	1933	1943	
Brattle Street	from Massachusetts Avenue to Garden Ave.	1,066	1945		
Brentwood Avenue	from Woburn Street to Woodside Avenue	1,017	1938		
Bridge Lane	from Shawsheen Avenue	455	1894		
Bridge Lane	from Main Street to beyond Brand Avenue	754	1894		

STREET	LOCATION	LENGTH	DATE(S) ACCEPTED		
Broad Street	from King Street	1,377	1954		
Burlington Avenue	from Main Street to Burlington Line	8,588	1894		
Burnap Street	from Grove Avenue	1,145	1953		
Burnap Street	from Winchell Road	484	1945		
Burt Road	from Cedar Street to beyond Water Street	1,653	1945	1946	
Butters Row	from Main Street to Chestnut Street	3,577	1894		
Buzzell Drive	from Draper Drive to Evans Drive	600	1971		
Canal Street	from Shawsheen Avenue to Burt Road	1,505	1939	1955	
Carolyn Road	from North Street to Marcia Road	1,268	1960	1971	
Carson Avenue	from Marie Drive to beyond Hathaway Road	1,017	1961		
Carter Lane	from Shawsheen Ave to beyond Norfolk Ave.	1,411	1957		
Castle Drive	from Burlington Ave left to Burlington Ave	1,325	1997		
Catherine Avenue	from Anthony Avenue to Arlene Avenue	1,000	1966		
Cedar Street	from Burt Road to Harris Street	687	1945		
Cedar Crest Road	from Pinewood Road to Judith Road	1,100	1963		
Central Street	from Church Street to Middlesex Avenue	552	1950		
Chandler Road	from Adams Street to Kelley Road	400	1957		
Chapman Avenue	from Hathaway Road to Sheridan Road	1,575	1951	1971	
Charlotte Road	from Gunderson Rd. to beyond Apollo Dr.	859	1971		
Chase Road	from Hathaway Road	297	1953		
Cherokee Lane	from Woburn St easterly thru cul-de-sac	812	1999		
Chestnut Street	from Burlington Avenue to Woburn Line	11,480	1894		
Chisholm Way	from Mink Run to end of cul-de-sac	427	2008		
Church Street	from Main Street to Middlesex Avenue	4,285	1894		
Clark Street	from Main Street to Church Street	2,470	1894	1969	
Clorinda Road	from Agostino Drive	887	1979		
Colonial Drive	from Middlesex Avenue thru cul-de-sac	375	1997		
Cochrane Road	from Forest Street to Wabash Road	800	1947		
Columbia Street	from Church St. to beyond Belmont Avenue	1,150	1908	1933	
Concord Street	from Federal Street to North Reading Line	5,803	1894		
Congress Street	from Forest Street to Burlington Line	977	1939		
Cook Avenue	from Main Street	813	1946		
Coolidge Road	from Hathaway Road	270	1951		
Corey Avenue	from Canal Street to Grand Street	366	1951		
Cornell Place	from Fordham Road	747	1982		
Cottage Street	from Main Street	927	1954		
Cottonwood Circle	from Blueberry Lane thru cul-de-sac	280	1998		
Crest Avenue	from Ayotte Street	558	1947		
Cross Street	from Main Street to Lowell Street	697	1894		
Crystal Road	from Woburn Street to end of cul-de-sac	895	1996		
Cunningham St.	from Salem Street to Beeching Avenue	2,447	1944	1952	1953
Cushing Drive	from Shawsheen Avenue	990	1993		
Cypress Street	from Glen Road	260	1951		
Dadant Drive	from North Street to North Street	1,760	1964		
Davis Road	from Main Street	500	1952		
Dayton Road	from Hathaway Road	170	1951		
Dell Drive	from Burlington Avenue	1,794	1958	1971	
Dexter Street	from Main Street	480	1979		
Dobson Street	from Glen Road to beyond Garden Avenue	1,402	1954		
Dogwood Lane	from Blueberry Lane to Ashwood Avenue	550	1997		
Dorchester Street	from Billerica Line	1,214	1951		
Dorothy Avenue	from Arlene Avenue to Barbara Avenue	1,490	1960		

STREET	LOCATION	LENGTH	DATE(S) ACCEPTED	
Douglas Avenue	from Palmer Way	1,017	1989	
Draper Drive	from Gunderson Road to Evans Drive	1,560	1959	1971
Drury Lane	from Glen Road to School Street	633	1963	
Dublin Avenue	from Main Street	500	1951	
Dunton Road	from Nassau Avenue	649	1956	
Eames Street	from Main Street to Woburn Street	3,200	1894	
Earles Row	from Route 62	820	1994	
Edward Road	from Forest Street to beyond Baldwin Rd.	450	1947	
Elizabeth Drive	from Butters Row thru cul-de-sac	1,348	1999	
Ella Avenue	from Arlene Avenue to Arlene Avenue	1,043	1978	
Elwood Road	from Forest Street	642	1968	
Emerson Street	from Faulkner Avenue to Oakwood Road	590	1951	
Emerald Avenue	from Andover St. westerly thru cul-de-sac	400	2000	
Englewood Drive	from Kenwood Drive	455	1971	
Evans Drive	from Gunderson Road to Draper Drive	2,071	1971	
Everett Avenue	from Faulkner Avenue to Cunningham Street	480	1979	
Fairfield Road	from Main Street	1,299	1946	
Fairmeadow Road	from Nichols Street to Nichols Street	2,328	1958	
Fairmont Avenue	from Molloy Road	952	1971	
Fairview Avenue	from State Street	648	1933	
Faneuil Drive	from Mass. Avenue to beyond Harvard Avenue	790	1950	
Faulkner Avenue	from Glen Road to Jacobs Street	1,946	1944	1953
Faulkner Avenue	from Faulkner Ave northeasterly to dead end	125	1999	
Fay Street	from Glen Road to Garden Avenue	714	1938	1945
Federal Street	from Middlesex Avenue to Woburn Street	5,740	1894	
Fenway Street	from Rollins Rd to end of cul-de-sac	375	2004	
Ferguson Road	from Shawsheen Avenue	1,073	1967	
Fernbanks Road	from Mill Road to end of cul-de-sac	550	1996	
Flagstaff Road	from Nichols Street	587	1989	
Fletcher Lane	from Kilmarnock Street to Morgan Road	792	1977	
Floradale Avenue	from Burlington Avenue	627	1970	
Flynn Way	from Federal Street to end of cul-de-sac	680	1996	
Foley Farm Road	from Kilmarnock Street to end of cul-de-sac	363	2004	
Fordham Road	from North Reading Line	3,714	1971	
Forest Street	from Burlington Avenue to Aldrich Road	4,100	1894	1976
Fox Run Drive	from High Street	975	1989	
Franklin Avenue	from Arlene Avenue to Arlene Avenue	739	1978	
Frederick Drive	from Salem Street	1,070	1966	
Freeport Drive	from Park Street to Lucaya Circle	2,086	1979	
Gandalf Way	from Glen Road to Agostino Drive	549	1979	
Gatehouse Lane	from Towpath Road	380	1994	
Gearty Street	from Ring Avenue	627	1989	
Glen Road	from Middlesex Avenue to Main Street	6,870	1894	
Glendale Circle	from Glen Road to Lawrence Street	1,304	1952	
Glenview Road	from Suncrest Avenue	365	1959	
Gloria Way	from Broad Street	770	1989	
Gowing Road	from Park Street to Marcus Road	941	1956	
Grace Drive	from Shawsheen Ave. to beyond Melody Lane	2,514	1966	
Grand Avenue	from Corey Avenue	815	1952	
Grant Street	from Federal Street	780	1943	
Great Neck Drive	from Woburn Street	536	1989	
Grove Avenue	from Main Street to Lake Street	4,147	1910	

STREET	LOCATION	LENGTH	DATE(S) ACCEPTED		
Grove Street	from Reading Line	120	1957		
Gunderson Road	from Marie Drive to beyond Evans Drive	1,506	1959	1966	
Hamlin Lane	from Lawrence Street	540	1962		
Hanover Street	from Atlantic Avenue	574	1988		
Hanson Road	from Woodland Road	838	1969		
Hardin Street	from Aldrich Road to Jaquith Road	428	1951		
Harnden Street	from Main Street to Glen Road	600	1895		
Harold Avenue	from Shawsheen Avenue to Reed Street	1,312	1971		
Harris Street	from Burlington Avenue to Cedar Street	806	1945		
Harvard Avenue	from Main Street to River Street	430	1951		
Hathaway Road	from Woburn Street to Evans Drive	3,270	1951	1953	1959
Hawthorne Road	from Woburn Street	230	1956		
Heather Drive	from Freeport Drive to North Reading Line	1,286	1979		
Henry L. Drive	from Woburn Street	651	1993		
High Street	from Middlesex Avenue to Woburn Street	3,585	1894		
Hillside Way	from Chestnut Street to Burlington Line	2,230	1914		
Hilltop Road	from Suncrest Avenue	364	1959		
Hobson Avenue	from Pine Avenue to beyond Wisser Street	1,560	1945	1951	1952
Hopkins Street	from Shawsheen Avenue to Billerica Line	3,051	1894	1972	1975
Houghton Road	from Kendall Street to Andrew Street	1,702	1985		
Industrial Way	from Woburn Street to West Street	4,430	1974		
Isabella Way	from West Street	385	2001		
Jaquith Road	from Shawsheen Avenue	1,398	1938	1949	1951
Jere Road	from Fairmeadow Road to Fairmeadow Road	1,248	1968		
Jewel Drive	from Eames Street	1,303	1985		
Jones Avenue	from Glen Road	717	1940		
Jonspin Road	from Andover Street	3,800	1993		
Judith Road	from Cedar Crest Road to Birchwood Road	400	1953		
Kajin Way	from Woburn Street	455	1989		
Kelley Road	from Chandler Road	923	1957		
Kendall Street	from Aldrich Road to Blanchard Road	1,420	1945		
Kenwood Avenue	from Woburn St. to beyond Englewood Dr.	1,725	1970	1971	
Kiernan Avenue	from Lowell Street to beyond Naples Road	693	1958		
Kilmarnock Street	from West Street to beyond Morgan Road	1,840	1894		
King Street	from Glen Road to Broad Street	2,400	1940	1945	
King Street Ext.	from Glen Road	487	1979		
Kirk Street	from Main Street	575	1951		
Lake Street	from Main Street to Shawsheen Avenue	3,855	1894		
Lang Street	from Bancroft Street	409	1952		
Laurel Avenue	from Parker Street to Molloy Road	659	1950		
Lawrence Court	from Lawrence Street	728	1956		
Lawrence Street	from Glen Road to Shady Lane Drive	4,013	1956		
Ledgewood Road	from Suncrest Avenue	383	1959		
Lexington Street	from Cunningham St. to Morningside Dr.	714	1974		
Liberty Street	from Federal Street	740	1943		
Lincoln Street	from Federal Street	720	1943		
Linda Road	from High Street to beyond Pineridge Road	1,760	1950		
Lloyd Road	from Main Street	1,050	1951		
Lockwood Road	from Ballardvale Street	977	1957		
Longview Road	from Middlesex Avenue	650	1959		

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Lorin Drive	from Swain Road	560	1992		
Loumac Road	from Drury Lane	510	1963		
Lowell Street	from Main Street to Reading Line	10,152	1894	1978	
Lowell St. Park	from Lowell Street	580	1908	1957	1958
Lucaya Circle	from Heather Drive to Freeport Drive	2,469	1979		
Mackey Road	from Federal Street	250	1943		
Magazine Road	from Wisser Street	320	1973		
Magazine Street	from Taplin Avenue	190	1973		
Main Street	from Tewksbury Line to Woburn Line	21,387	1894		
Manning Street	from Aldrich Road to Moore Street	970	2002		
Marcia Road	from North Street to beyond Carolyn Rd.	2,806	1962	1971	
Marcus Road	from Gowing Road	2,315	1958		
Marie Drive	from Woburn St. to beyond Gunderson Road	1,525	1961	1966	
Marion Street	from Burlington Ave. to beyond Clifton St.	1,876	1945		
Marion Street	from Marion St. westerly to Marion St.	975	1995		
Marion Street	from Marion St. southeasterly to Marion St.	1,133	2000		
Marion Street	from Marion St. southerly an additional	950	2001		
Marjorie Road	from Main Street	1,392	1951		
Massachusetts Ave.	from Main Street to beyond Brattle St.	810	1945		
McDonald Road	from Salem Street	2,621	1944		
Meadow Lane	from Suncrest Avenue	364	1957		
Meadow Lane	from Meadow Lane thru cul-de-sac	115	1997		
Melody Lane	from Shawsheen Avenue to Grace Drive	245	1966		
Meadow Brook Rd.	from Factory Rd. southeasterly	204	2001		
Middlesex Avenue	from Main Street to Salem Street	12,140	1894		
Miles Street	from Main Street to Hobson Avenue	380	1945		
Miller Road	from Glen Road	638	1945		
Molloy Road	from Lowell Street	988	2001		
Moore Street	from Shawsheen Ave to beyond Wedgewood Ave	1,528	1967		
Moore Street	from Existing Moore Street	630	2001		
Morgan Road	from Kilmarnock Street	653	1977		
Morningside Drive	from Lexington Street to Fairfield Road	693	1974		
Morse Avenue	from Woburn Street to beyond Lawn Street	1,360	1939		
Mystic Avenue	from Middlesex Avenue	1,298	1908	1988	
Nassau Avenue	from Shawsheen Avenue to Dunton Road	1,566	1946		
Nathan Road	from Senpek Road	1,057	1971		
Navajo Drive	from Chestnut Street thru cul-de-sac	585	2006		
Nelson Way	from High Street thru cul-de-sac	800	2002		
Nichols Street	from Shawsheen Avenue to Billerica Line	3,801	1894		
Nickerson Avenue	from West Street	953	1947		
Norfolk Avenue	from Carter Lane to Nassau Avenue	537	1954		
North Street	from Middlesex Avenue to Marcia Road	3,515	1945		
N. Washington Ave.	from Agostino Drive	858	1979		
Nottingham Drive	from Stonehedge Drive thru cul-de-sac	480	1997		
Nunn Road	from Kelley Road	214	1965		
Oak Street	from Salem Street	355	1951		
Oakdale Road	from Short Street to Judith Road	2,301	1950		
Oakridge Circle	from Gowing Road to Gowing Road	1,730	1958		
Oakwood Road	from Main Street to beyond Emerson Street	800	1946		
Olson Street	from Church Street	122	1957		
Oxbow Drive	from Woburn Street	1,751	1994		

STREET	LOCATION	LENGTH	DATE(S) ACCEPTED		
Palmer Way	from Middlesex Avenue	1,437	1989		
Park Street	from Woburn Street to No. Reading Line	4,180	1895		
Parker Street	from Lowell Street to Blackstone Street	2,000	1919		
Patches Pond Lane	from Chestnut Street to a dead end	1,185	1990		
Patricia Circle	from Dell Drive	595	1958		
Pershing Street	from Federal Street	720	1943		
Phillips Avenue	from Wild Avenue to beyond Baker Street	1,519	1946	1954	1981
Pilcher Drive	from the end of Gearty Street	410	1989		
Pilling Road	from Hathaway Road	954	1959		
Pine Avenue	from Main Street to Hobson Avenue	380	1945		
Pineridge Road	from North Street to Linda Road	914	1960		
Pineview Road	from Cobalt Street to Adelman Road	450	1953		
Pinewood Road	from Shady Lane Drive to Oakdale Road	1,364	1954		
Pleasant Road	from Middlesex Avenue to Linda Road	750	1962		
Powder House Cir.	from Middlesex Avenue	710	1954		
Presidential Dr.	from Boutwell Street	826	1977		
Presidential Dr.	from Presidential Drive thru cul-de-sac	768	1998		
Progress Way	from Industrial Way	630	1974		
Quail Run	from Woburn Street	500	1992		
Radcliff Road	from South Street to Benson Road	355	1971		
Railroad Avenue	from Clark Street	650	1909		
Reading Avenue	from Oakwood Road	215	1979		
Reading Avenue	from Faulkner Ave northwesterly to dead-end	160	1997		
Redwood Terrace	from Kenwood Avenue	645	1970		
Reed Street	from Shawsheen Ave. to beyond Harold Ave.	1,090	1971		
Research Drive	from Ballardvale Street	1,817	1989		
Richmond Street	from Main Street to Shawsheen Avenue	1,800	1973		
Ridge Road	from Suncrest Avenue	365	1956		
Ring Avenue	from Salem Street to Biggar Avenue	1,150	1975		
River Street	from Massachusetts Avenue to Harvard Ave.	453	1962		
Roberts Road	from Burlington Ave. to Burlington Ave.	1,861	1967		
Rollins Road	from Marion Street to Fenway Street	200	1954		
Roosevelt Road	from Boutwell Street to Swain Road	1,980	1946		
Route 62	from Middlesex Avenue to Salem Street	3,343	1958		
Royal Street	from Salem Street	1,043	1951		
Sachem Circle	from Elizabeth Drive thru cul-de-sac	520	2005		
Salem Street	from Tewksbury Line to beyond Ballardvale Street	8,895	1894		
Salem Street	from No. Reading Line to beyond Woburn St.	6,475	1894		
Sarafina's Way	from Hopkins St. thru cul-de-sac	450	1995		
Scaltrito Drive	from Salem Street	785	1974		
School Street	from Middlesex Ave. to beyond Drury Lane	1,139	1915	1963	
Seneca Lane	from Tacoma Drive to Tacoma Drive	1,065	2002		
Seneca Lane	from Tacoma Drive to end of cul-de-sac	530	2004		
Senpek Road	from Wildwood Street to Nathan Road	280	1971		
Sequoia Drive	from Cherokee Lane to end of cul-de-sac	1,152	2008		
Serenoa Lane	from Woburn St. westerly thru cul-de-sac	600	1999		
Sewell Road	from Hathaway Road	300	1955		
Shady Lane Drive	from Middlesex Ave. to Lawrence Street	2,904	1950	1958	
Shawsheen Avenue	from beyond Richmond St. to Billerica Ln.	11,845	1894		
Sherburn Place	from Shawsheen Avenue	723	1975		

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Sheridan Road	from Woburn Street to Hathaway Road	1,021	1951	1971
Sherwood Road	from Forest Street to Cochrane Road	445	1971	
Silver Lake Ave.	from Lake Street to Dexter Street	455	1954	
Somerset Place	from Mystic Avenue easterly thru cul-de-sac	878	2000	
Sparhawk Drive	from Park Street to Heather Drive	361	1979	
Sprucewood Road	from Shady Lane Drive	690	1952	
State Street	from Belmont Avenue to Fairview Avenue	315	1933	
Stonehedge Drive	from Castle Dr. northerly thru cul-de-sac	1,400	1997	
Strout Avenue	from Lowell Street	908	1955	
Suncrest Avenue	from West Street to Ledgewood Road	1,246	1954	
Swain Road	from Burlington Avenue to Forest Street	2,290	1922	1929
Taft Road	from Boutwell Street to Swain Road	1,986	1938	
Taplin Avenue	from Wisser Street	461	1946	
Taplin Avenue	from Baker Street	900	1946	
Temple Street	from Church Street	214	1911	
Thrush Road	from Salem Street to Marie Drive	400	1961	
Thurston Avenue	from Church Street to beyond Kidder Place	623	1907	
Tomahawk Drive	from Aldrich Road	575	1989	
Towpath Drive	from Towpath Drive to a dead end	463	1990	
Towpath Drive	from Chestnut Street to Towpath Drive	914	1990	
Towpath Drive	from Towpath Drive	870	1993	
Towpath Drive	from Towpath Drive to Butters Row	886	1996	
Tracy Circle	from Woburn Street	675	1992	
Truman Road	from Hathaway Road	300	1953	
Unnamed Street	from Salem Street to Andover Street	470	1958	
Upton Court	from Andover Street	500	1894	
Valyn Lane	from Salem Street	608	1989	
Veranda Avenue	from Main Street	847	1916	
Virginia Road	from No. Reading Line to No. Reading Line	1,105	1954	
Wakefield Avenue	from Buckingham St. easterly to dead end	355	1999	
Walker Street	from Main Street	423	1958	
Warren Road	from Wightman Road to Tewksbury Line	97	1954	
Washington Avenue	from Clark Street to Stone Street	1,650	1920	
Webber Street	from Burlington Avenue	677	1969	
Wedgewood Avenue	from Moore Street	476	1967	
Wedgewood Avenue	from Wedgewood Ave. southeast thru cul-de-sac	75	1997	
West Street	from Woburn Street to Reading Line	8,372	1894	1978
Westdale Avenue	from West Street	1,211	1942	
Wicks Circle	from Everett Avenue	533	1971	
Wightman Road	from Warren Road to Tewksbury Line	239	1954	
Wild Avenue	from Grove Avenue	1,050	1910	
Wildwood Street	from Middlesex Avenue to Woburn Street	5,290	1894	
Williams Avenue	from Main Street	706	1940	
Wilson Street	from Federal Street	760	1943	
Wilton Drive	from Shawsheen Avenue	1,151	1966	
Winchell Road	from Grove Avenue to Burnap Street	193	1945	
Wing Road	from Woburn Street	746	1958	
Wisser Street	from Main Street to Brand Avenue	1,146	1950	
Woburn Street	from Andover Street to Woburn Line	23,122	1894	1978
Woodland Road	from Lowell Street	1,174	1969	

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Department	Telephone Number	
Accountant	694-2029	
Animal Control	658-5071	(Complaints)
	658-7845	(Missing/Adoption)
Appeals Board	658-4531	
Arts Center	657-3887	
Assessor	658-3675	
Building Inspector	658-4531	
Cemetery Department	658-3901	
Collector of Taxes	658-3531	
Elderly Services	657-7595	
Engineer	658-4499	
Fire Department	658-3346	(Business Phone)
	9-1-1	**(EMERGENCY)**
Fire Prevention	694-2006	
Harnden Tavern Museum	658-5475	
Health, Board of	658-4298	
Housing Authority	658-8531	
Library	658-2967	
	657-4625	(TDD)
Nurse	658-4298	
Planning/Conservation	658-8238	
Plumbing Inspector	658-4531	
Police Department	658-5071	
	9-1-1	**(EMERGENCY)**
	657-8368	(TDD)
Public Buildings Department	658-3017	
Public Works Department	658-4481	
Recreation Department	658-4270	
School Department	694-6000	
Selectmen, Board of	658-3311	
Town Clerk	658-2030	
Town Manager	658-3311	
	694-1417	(TDD)
Treasurer	658-3531	
Tree Department	658-2809	
Veterans' Agent	694-2040	
Water & Sewer	658-4711	
	658-3116	(Billing)
Food Pantry	658-7425	
Shawsheen Tech	667-2111	
WCTV	657-4066	
Comcast	888 - 633-4266	
Keyspan	800 - 548-8000	
Mosquito Control	508 - 393-3055	
Reading Light Dept.	781 - 944-1340	
Transitional Services	800 - 249-2007	
Verizon	888 - 438-3467	

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